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HUGE CROWDS IN TORCH BONANZA

By Alex Homer and Tim Spiers

THE Olympic torch lit up the streets of Sandwell, as tens of thousands of people joined in a massive celebration, creating a trade bonanza for the area.

Parties took place in Oldbury, West Bromwich and Smethwick as crowds flocked to see the once-in-a-lifetime relay of the flame. Bands, street entertainers and funfairs added to the huge spectacle. And it all brought a much-needed boost to the local economy.

About 125,000 people descended on Victoria Park in Smethwick, which hosted the Birmingham and Sandwell Mela over two days, while an Armed Forces Day was held in Oldbury Civic Square on Saturday. And in West Bromwich the new Sandwell College Campus took in a huge fun day.

The day even included a successful world record attempt for bhangra and giddha dancing, with 1,500 people dancing together in Victoria Park.

Sandwell Council leader Darren Cooper, who watched the flame pass through his home town of Smethwick, said: "It's been a really special day – a once in a lifetime event.

"People really came out for the torch – Smethwick people lapped it up.

"If everybody here spent a couple of quid we're talking about thousands of pounds into the local economy."

Bera Mahli, who runs The Red Cow pub in Smethwick High Street, said he made double what he would normally make on a busy Saturday. He had to order an emergency extra 22 gallons of beer – 880 pints – in the evening to cope with demand.

Amazing

A stage playing live music was outside the venue all day on Saturday with girls dressed in Union Jacks walking on stilts, as well as drummers playing on the pub's flat roof while the torch procession wound past.

Mr Mahli said: "It was out of this world, the streets were packed and the atmosphere in the pub was amazing."

Manjit Singh Deu, who runs Simply Fresh on the High Street, also had a bumper day, taking £3,500 compared to a normal good day of £1,500.

He also owns The Pheasant pub in Oldbury, The Wharf in Walsall and The Cock Inn in Bartley Green – all of which he said enjoyed a huge windfall due to the torch and armed forces day celebrations.

He said: "The High Street was rammed, there was barely standing space. It was like a huge carnival. It was easily the busiest day I have ever had."

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Jessica Gripton, aged 81, carrying the Olympic torch in West Bromwich

Demand pays off as town plans bonfire

A BONFIRE will be staged at Brunswick Park in Wednesbury on November 2, following growing demand from people in the town.

Sandwell Council's neighbourhoods chief, Councillor Ian Jones, said: "Local councillors asked the residents if they would like one, and the answer was yes. It may be that other areas may want one as well."

Wednesbury North councillor Elaine Costigan said: "There will be stalls and hopefully an ice rink if we can afford it.

"It is a first for Wednesbury. It is something we have wanted to do, but we looked at funding and couldn't afford it previously.

"Now we have got the money for the town it's wonderful."

The town will also benefit from a grant intended to revive areas in Sandwell. The borough was granted £100,000 by the Government as part of the High Street Renewal Fund. It is expected to be split evenly between the borough's six towns.

Ideas on how to spend the grant include cleaning up markets, creating floral displays, or holding street entertainment.

The award comes after West Bromwich and Bearwood both missed out on bids under the Portas scheme.

Square is on cards to give area a lift

A PUBLIC square featuring an old-fashioned ice cream parlour could be built at the Kings Head junction in Bearwood.

Sandwell Council is looking at options to breathe new life into the area, as work gets under way to change the junction.

From October, Birmingham City Council will fill in the subway underneath Hagley Road.

The traffic lights will be changed so there is a proper pedestrian crossing, and a left turn off the Hagley Road will be created.

As the work is going ahead, 10 years after it was first approved, Sandwell can now properly investigate how to breathe new life into the area.

Ideas being considered include a public square and a giant bear figure in represent the area's name.

And Richard Marshall, chairman of the traders' association, said he had been approached by a businessman interested in converting part of the old toilet block there into an ice cream parlour.

He said: "I think this would provide an ideal link between Lightwoods Park and the High Street. It's the first entrance into Bearwood so we want to make the whole area look more inviting."

Hopes for settlement

A PAY row at a major parcel firm in Sandwell is expected to be resolved soon.

GeoPost UK, the parent company of DPD and Interlink Express, offered an increase that equates to about 6.5 per cent over two years.

Staff at the Smethwick and Oldbury hubs rejected the offer. But Dave Hare, of GeoPost, said: "GeoPost and the union are engaged in constructive discussions and we expect to reach an agreement in the next few weeks."

Another retailer closes its doors

FASHION retailer River Island has closed its store in West Bromwich.

Bosses say the branch at Queens Square shopping centre's lease expired – but they are not saying if the store will reopen elsewhere in the town.

It is the latest high street name to disappear from West Bromwich town centre. In May, WHSmith closed its doors, and last month the largest post office, in High Street, closed unexpectedly.

River Island spokeswoman Melissa Collins said: "I can confirm that the store closed and it was due to lease expiry."

She refused to confirm whether River Island would be open elsewhere in the town.

Latest figures reveal more than one in four shops in West Bromwich town centre are empty. The town ranks at number two in a national list of towns with the most vacant high street shops.

Meanwhile, 100 Johnsons dry cleaning shops are to close across the country, following plummeting sales.

The closures will take place by the end of the year and although the firm has not revealed which shops will go, there are outlets in Smethwick, Walsall, Stafford, Lichfield, Amblecote, Kidderminster, Tettenhall, and Wolverhampton.

Pub plan to create jobs

A PUB in Rowley Regis wants to expand – and the move would create jobs.

Bosses at The Fourways Barr are planning to build a family dining area. And the expansion would create at least four jobs.

A planning application has been submitted to Sandwell Council.

The pub in Portway Hill was closed years ago. It was bought by the current owners, who renovated and eventually reopened it.

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Jessica Gripton, 81, in West Bromwich

Juanita Williams, aged 51, of Smethwick

FLAMING WONDERFUL

A group of young fans wait to give the Olympic torch a rousing welcome when it arrives in West Bromwich

Laurence Lawrence with his daughters Kamilia and Hannah

Franceska, Sophie and Sam Norouzi along with Natalie Edwards and Jenny and Cerys Cappa-Grinham

Crowds in Halesowen Street, Oldbury celebrate as the Olympic torch is brought back to the region

Diane Higgs from Tividale unveils her Union flag in Halesowen Street, Oldbury as the torch arrives

RESIDENTS enjoyed a once-in-a-lifetime experience when Olympic torch fever came to Sandwell – and one torchbearer got up close and personal with the Peter Pan of pop.

By Alex Homer and Tim Spiers

Juanita Williams, who has raised tens of thousands of pounds for charity, and lives in Richmond Hill, Oldbury, carried the torch along Cape Hill, Smethwick, on Saturday.

And her day was all the more special because Sir Cliff Richard was on board her bus as he made his way to carry the flame towards Birmingham's Cannon Hill Park.

She said the star sang Summer Holiday with fellow runners on board and they surprised him by bursting into Congratulations when he returned after running his own leg.

Smethwick born Juanita, daughter of the late Bob Mansell, who ran a cycle shop in High Street, said: "When I saw him to say goodbye, he offered me a handshake but I thought I should seize the day, so I planted a smacker on his cheek instead."

On day 43 on the UK relay the torch arrived in the borough at around 5.55pm on Saturday, with South African John Ovis carrying it along Halesowen Street before handing over to Big Brother star Kate Lawler. Other torchbearers included 81-year-old Jessica Gripton, of Cradley Heath, who has given years of service to tennis and swimming clubs.

She took the torch down West Bromwich High Street, and in Smethwick Team GB gymnastics captain Kristian Thomas, of Wolverhampton, did a leg on High Street.

Among the thousands who watched Mr Thomas were Jean and John Weeks, both aged 77 and from Bearwood.

Mr Weeks said: "I've not seen anything like this since the end of the Second World War.

"The scale of it is just huge and it's wonderful to see so many smiling faces."

Natalie Edwards, a lead nurse at Birmingham Children's Hospital, said: "People will be talking about this for decades to come."

Her friend Francesca Norouzi, also 38 and from Smethwick, said: "It's so lovely to see such a diverse community coming together."

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The Loi, Kaler and Chand families from Sandwell get into celebratory mood for the relay

Once-in-a-lifetime – youngsters in Smethwick welcome the arrival of the Olympic torch

Pauline Wright with Ann and Talia Baldaro looking forward to seeing the Olympic Torch in Smethwick

Kirsty Parry with eight-month-old Edward from Oldbury join the crowds to see the Torch

Pauline Bolton, Ann Willetts, Emma Rowley, Jennie Freestone and Millie Rowley get into the spirit

Family and friends gather on West Bromwich Ringway as they wait for the torch to pass

Ellie and Ethan Benton with Claire Smith, Melissa Smith and Charlotte Smith from Great Barr

Nicole Hawkley, aged eight, from Oldbury took soft toy David the monkey along to see the Flame

The crowds gathered in Halesowen Street, Oldbury, in celebratory mood waiting for torch to go past

The Bains family, ready for the relay in Smethwick, flying the flag for the Olympic flame

Crowds in Halesowen Street, Oldbury celebrate as the Olympic Torch is brought back to the region

Diane Higgs from Tividale unveils her Union flag in Halesowen Street, Oldbury as the Torch arrives

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THE BEST OF PETER RHODES

OUR changing language. It is reported that one Olympic hopeful, despite much pre-Games practice, has "failed to medal".

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THE Archbishop of Canterbury declares that David Cameron's idea of a Big Society is viewed by many as "aspirational waffle". That's the Church of England for you. It still can't make up its mind about homosexuality but knows instinctively that Tory social policy is bad.

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TALKING of waffle, that great ducker, diver and perennial waffler Tony Blair pops up in a BBC interview to remind us he's still around, ambitious and looking for a job, possibly as President of Europe. Pressed on the matter of his open-door immigration policy, the great man declares: "In some ways, I don't regret it." Which presumably means that "in some ways" he does and, as always, wants to be all things to all people. Blair wants to claim that mass immigration has done great things for Britain. Yet at the same time he wants to empathise with those working-class Brits whose jobs have been taken by new arrivals from the eastern EU. I wonder whether, nearly 10 years after launching the invasion of Iraq on the basis of a monstrous untruth, Tony Blair "in some ways" regrets starting the war. The prospect of him as the supreme head of the EU (with Alastair Campbell as his enforcer, peut-etre?) is one that "in some ways" makes me reach for the sick bag.

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THE road signs have appeared at the end of our road. The Olympic flame is due to arrive any day now and we are warned that if we leave our cars parked on the route, they will be towed away and impounded, in the great Olympian spirit. Quite what we are expected to do with the flame is not explained. I suppose we just turn up and sort of adore it. A neighbour is muttering darkly about taking a bucket of water.

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THE Duchess of Cambridge, or Princess Kate as we really should start calling her, has been told she should curtsy to the Princesses Beatrice and Eugenie because they (being the daughters of Prince Andrew) are of the blood royal while Kate is a commoner. Just when the monarchy is going through a really popular phase, along comes something to remind us what a strange, cold, creepy and incredibly out-of-touch institution it can be.

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BY DEMONISING the under-25s on housing benefit, David Cameron is trying to create a state-benefit system which aims to separate the deserving poor from the undeserving poor. The Victorians spent most of the 19th century trying to do the same and it never worked. But family benefits are a valid target. There is no earthly reason why the state should subsidise people to produce more than three children. We live on a crowded island. Most people have small families and see no reason why their taxes should subsidise those who, for reasons of culture, religion or pure carelessness, produce baby after baby.

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I REPORTED a reader's complaint that shoe laces seem to last longer than trainers. Another reader says he bought trainers that came with only a single lace. Then he realised they came from Taiwan.

Don't miss Peter Rhodes every Monday to Friday in your Express & Star

Depression 'drove man to child porn'

A SANDWELL man who was a victim of toxic fumes, plunged into a depression that drove him to develop an interest in child pornography over a decade later, a judge heard.

James Gull collapsed after being overcome by fumes while working as a chemical packer in 1997, Wolverhampton Crown Court was told. Police found 124 indecent images of children on his computer when they swooped on his home on December 15, 2010, said prosecutor Mrs Sati Ruck.

He had downloaded and distributed 15 of the images which including high-level pornography, the court heard.

Gull, now aged 69, told police he had "lost all self-respect and needed to destroy himself," said Nicholas Berry, defending.

Gull of Park Road, Bearwood, admitted five charges of making indecent images and four of distributing them.

Judge Amjad Nawaz told him: "The fact that your depression went undetected for some time hurtled you towards these offences.

"I could give you a short prison sentence but I believe that the public would be better protected from further offending if you received professional assistance.

"I am confident that if you do that then the courts will not see you again."

Gull was given a three-year community order under the condition that he attends a sex offenders programme, and will also be put on the sex offenders register for five years.

He was made the subject of a 10-year sex offenders prevention order.

Flats are to be built on land vacant since 70s

FLATS will be built on land left empty since the slum clearance orders of the 1970s, under new plans.

Planners in Sandwell have granted permission for homes to be built at Dudley Road in Rowley Regis, next to Knowle Methodist Church.

A row of terraced homes stood on the site until 1973, when the homes were subject to a statutory slum clearance compulsory purchase order and demolished.

Under the new scheme two single-bedroom flats and a further six two-bedroom flats will be built.

Documents submitted for the scheme say the homes will be contained in a two-and-a-half storey building with a courtyard car park behind.

The courtyard will be accessed via a tunnel entrance through the ground floor of the new building.

Parking

There will be two single-bed flats and another two-bed flat on the ground floor, with a further five two-bed flats split over the first and roof levels.

Separate staircases will serve each of the flats on the upper levels and there will be 11 new car parking spaces and eight bicycle spaces.

Edward Appleby-Towers, of DDC Ltd, agents for the development, confirmed: "The site is vacant land that has been undeveloped although partially landscaped since 1973."

Planning officers said there was only one response to the plans when neighbours were notified, and it was not an objection.

Officers ruled the scheme was acceptable and gave permission under delegated powers.

Light work aiming to save cash for council

WORK has started on new street lighting in Bearwood as part of a £1.8 million scheme in Sandwell.

The energy-efficient alternatives are being fitted in all roads that have aluminium columns except Reginald and Rawlings Road which already have LEDs.

Deputy council leader Steve Eling said the work was expected to take a few weeks.

He added: "LEDs will provide a white light and use only half the amount of electricity of the bulbs they are replacing."

Sandwell Council wants to replace around 2,500 lamp posts with LED lights.

The changes have already been made in parts of West Bromwich including Eaton Avenue, Guns Lane, Harwood Street Grange Road and Wheatley Street.

Lights have also been changed in St Pauls Road, Barlow Road, Elm Avenue, Hawthorn Terrace and Hawthorn Road in Tipton.

Originally, the council planned to target 30,000 lamp posts with an estimated cost of £36m, but this was deemed too expensive and the scheme was reduced.

Pupils in the Olympic mood

Front Macy O'Grady, lying down are Skye Campbell, and Damian Nyatanga, back from left Shaun Leathem, Lewis Newman and Katie Hamer in Oldbury

PUPILS at Moat Farm Junior School in Oldbury have been whetting their appetite for the Olympics with a series of sporting events.

Students from Sandwell College organised the Olympics Games Day at the Brookfield Road primary. There were running, jumping and throwing events.

There have also been separate individual sports days for each year, and parents have been able to take part in activities such as zumba, badminton and keep-fit.

Senior assistant headteacher Chris Garratt said: "It's been fantastic. The parents and pupils have been really enthusiastic."

The Public is to host festival of music

ABOUT 2,000 visitors are expected to attend musical festival Judgestock when it returns to arts centre The Public on Saturday.

The event will feature three stages with live music, stalls and children's activities.

It will also feature a special appearance by former Stone Roses guitarist Aziz Ibrahim. And for the first time students from the George Salter Academy Saturday school and out-of-hours performing arts will be playing with professional bands and musicians.

Around 200 youngsters take part in music and performing arts activities every Saturday and it is hoped they will join the festival.

The event is a tribute to Simon Turton, who lost his battle with brain cancer last year aged just 36. Music fan Mr Turton worked at Sirus Automotive in Wednesbury and lived in West Bromwich with fiancee Sarah and daughter Libby.

Organiser Lee Judge of West Bromwich is hoping 2,000 visitors will attend to raise funds for Macmillan Cancer Support.

The Public has donated the venue for free and Lee's employer, npower, have said they will match fund up to £1,000. The event runs from noon until 11.45pm.

Entry is £8 and free for those aged under 12.

Park to get its benches for summer

NEW benches and picnic tables costing more than £3,000 will be installed in a Cradley park.

Plans to grant the cash to the Friends of Homer Hill park had been delayed earlier this year.

Halesowen Area Committee deferred its decision to award money from its capital application pot in March to ask for more details on why the money was needed.

But the friends group said this delay meant the equipment would not be ready for the school summer holidays.

Friends group chairman, Councillor Richard Body, revealed the £3,350 funding had now been secured. The cash payment will be ratified at the next Halesowen Area Committee on July 4.

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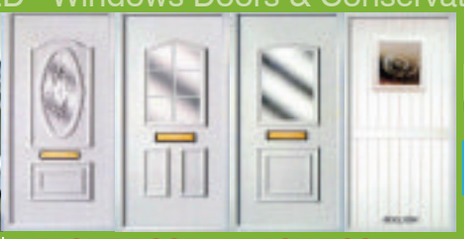

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Go-ahead for fire service's solar plan

PLANS to install advanced solar panels on West Midlands Fire Service Academy in Smethwick have been passed, as part of a wider £2.5 million scheme.

West Midlands Fire Authority has won planning permission to install photovoltaic panels at the Dartmouth Road premises.

The move is part of a region-wide scheme by the authority as part of its carbon reduction plan.

Work has already begun at the first site, Handsworth Community Fire Station. Alterations there are expected to save the taxpayer £1,300 a year.

The scheme includes replacing boilers in fire stations. Bosses say renovations will not affect the service's ability to respond to calls.

Chiefs have identified another seven suitable sites.

They are the authority's HQ in Vauxhall Road, Birmingham, Smethwick station, Bournbrook station, Fallings Park station, and Bickenhill station including Technical Rescue at the same site.

Additional panels are also being fitted to the safety education centre, Safeside.

Jobs are secured by firm sale

FORTY jobs have been secured after a Cradley Heath firm bought another company.

Corporate workwear manufacturer and supplier Main Man Supplies (MMS) has bought Davern Workwear.

The deal has been achieved through a £2.7 million finance package.

Davern makes, imports and supplies workwear for a range of clients in the aviation, construction, motor and retail sectors.

MMS was founded in 1989 and employs 45 people at its Cradley Heath headquarters and 94 people across its seven other branches.

Managing director Mark Brooker said: "This acquisition will broaden both our customerbase and product offering, at the same time as safeguarding existing jobs at Davern."

Inadequate nursery is told to improve

A WEST Bromwich nursery has been rated inadequate by the education watchdog Ofsted and has been given a notice to improve.

Inspectors ordered the Sunshine Day Nursery to make changes in several areas.

They said the nursery had not met legal requirements to make sure there was a first aider on site at all times, infection control was not up to scratch, and some parental permissions had not been sought.

Inspector Patricia Webb visited the premises on High Street in May.

She gave nursery bosses one month to make the necessary improvements. But she added that although there were problems the manager was actively trying to improve the nursery and get further training for staff.

Ms Webb found that although nursery staff knew how to keep the children safe they failed to follow some procedures.

She said of the nursery which opened last year: "The admission records do not ask parents to clarify who has legal contact with, or parental responsibility for the child. This compromises children's welfare and well-being."

She also found that only one member of staff held a valid first aid certificate, meaning at times no qualified first aider was on duty.

Ms Webb also noted that records on training were not checked.

Activities

She found the risk of infection was not minimised because supplies of paper towels were not maintained, toothbrushes were placed touching each other and lids were left off toothpaste.

The inspector said the outdoor environment was limited and that some activities were mundane.

But she praised the nursery for its homely and comfortable environment, the variety of resources it had available and the strong partnerships between staff, parents and children.

Owner Altaf Adam, who took over the nursery in December, said: "Before it was Sunshine Day Nursery somebody else used to own it. It had a bad reputation.

"We took over and tried to do the best that we can so we are still in the process of trying to improve the standards."

Headteacher at troubled school steps down early

THE headteacher of one of Sandwell's biggest schools, which was given a notice to improve by Ofsted inspectors, has stood down three months earlier than expected.

Brian Heavisides had said he would retire from his role as head at Phoenix Collegiate Business, Sport and Enterprise College, which is based over two sites in Wednesbury and West Bromwich, in September.

But the headship was given to Gary Hill earlier this month, with Mr Heavisides taking on a position supporting governors until September.

The news comes on the back of a turbulent year at the school.

This has seen one former teacher being jailed for biting off part of his wife's nose, the school being branded "inadequate" by Ofsted inspectors, and the announcement that up to 24 jobs would be axed to save cash.

Academy

Mr Heavisides said the decision would give him more time to concentrate on pursuing academy status for the school.

"In order to ensure a seamless changeover I handed over the headship earlier than planned, on June 1, with governors appointing Gary Hill as interim headteacher," he said.

"I continue to work for the governors of the school on the task of establishing the academy status that we have set as our goal and, as such, I am working with potential sponsors and the Department for Education."

Ofsted inspectors branded the school as "inadequate" and gave it a notice to improve in March.

This was followed by news that 24 jobs would go in order to make up a shortfall of £700,000 caused by a reduced sixth form funding and falling roll numbers.

Then former teacher Nicholas Gough was jailed for five years in March for biting off part of his wife's nose.

However, Mr Heavisides said none of these issues had sparked his decision.

Town's pride on parade for Armed Forces Day

The town centre parade which took place as part of the signing of the covenant

Young and not-so-young at the event

Young cadets line up for the parade

Proud members of the TA

SERVICEMEN and women past and present and Sandwell civic leaders signed a community agreement recognising the contribution of the Armed Forces.

A parade and memorial services were held on Saturday in Oldbury Civic Square as part of the event to mark Armed Forces Day.

And the event was given an extra shine when the Olympic torch passed by at the end of the event.

For the people who turned out for the day there were stalls and children's rides.

At the formal signing of the covenant, Sandwell Mayor Councillor Keith Davies said: "It is vital to reward and recognise what our Armed Forces do for us – both current servicemen and women as well as their families, veterans and the injured and bereaved.

"We are proud to be signing the Armed Forces Community Covenant and marking the contribution of our forces with a parade and memorial service."

A Community Covenant is a voluntary statement of mutual support between a community and its local Armed Forces. The aim of the covenant is to encourage greater grassroots support for the services.

NEWS in brief

Surgery plans a training suite

A DOCTORS' surgery in Oldbury is planning to set up a training suite for new health workers.

Bosses at Oakham Surgery, in Darby's Hill Road, have applied to Sandwell Council planning chiefs, to turn an adjacent bungalow into a teaching unit.

The surgery has been a teaching practice for a number of years and regularly offers medical students from Birmingham University practical experience.

Challenge raises cash for charity

SIX staff from a Black Country law firm raised £3,000 by taking on a 100-mile cycling challenge from Wolverhampton to Wales.

Employees of QualitySolicitors Talbots in Dudley, Stourbridge, Wolverhampton, Kidderminster and Codsall, joined the Aberdovey Bike Ride, raising £45,000 for the Chris Westwood charity for children with physical disabilities.

Planners say firm can stay

A PRIVATE hire firm in Oldbury has been granted planning permission after a year-long trial showed the business caused no traffic problems.

Manjit Singh's business, at Phoenix House, in Dudley Road West, was granted temporary permission. Mr Singh, who lives in the same road, applied for a longer consent and won Sandwell Council's backing.

Playground in award success

SANDWELL Valley Adventure Playground is runner-up in a national award scheme.

It came second in the children's play category of the Street Design competition 2012.

Sandwell Council designed the playground after consulting with every primary school in the borough.

Church to host summer show

A SHOW will be held at St Paul's church in Long Lane, Blackheath, on July 14. In the event, called Laugh Out Loud, church members and friends will present topical comedy, readings and music.

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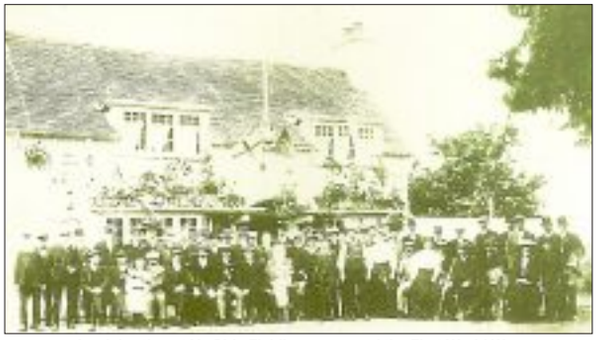
The road to Ye Olde Fieldhouse, from the corner which is now Claregate Island



A celebration at Ye Olde Fieldhouse around the First World War

Lock-keeper's cottage, Dunstall Park corner, Aldersley Junction

Farmer Fred Picken displaying his prize mangels on Aldersley Farm

Lost village that lies at the centre of a bustling city

MEMORY LANE

by Alec Brew

IN THE heart of Wolverhampton is a huge green area, the extent of which is largely unknown to the people of the city, because it is split into three by canals and railways.

There is Dunstall Park racecourse, opposite a former small holding alongside Oxley Sidings, beyond which is Oxley Park golf course. On the other side of are the fields by Aldersley Stadium.

At the heart of this peaceful green valley are the remains of a lost village, Aldersley. Lost because of its remoteness, its remoteness at the heart of a city.

In 1772 James Brindley opened the Staffordshire and Worcestershire Canal Navigations (S&WCN), the first major east west transport in England, and at, what was then called Autherley Junction, it was linked to the Birmingham Canal Navigations (BCN), which rose through 21 locks to the heart of Wolverhampton, and then beyond to all areas of the Black Country.

At the junction, a village was built for canal workers. There was a large house on one corner for the BCN lock-keeper's cottage and office, behind which was a warehouse.

On the other corner was a toll house and a terrace of four cottages for S&WCN workers. These had cellar stables for narrowboat horses, which is why the bridge over the S&W canal had arches on both sides.

Five years later this junction became even more important with the opening of the Trent & Mersey canal, half a mile away, at a junction which took the name Autherley, the original becoming Aldersley.

For a while, Aldersley was one of the most important transport links in the world, taking the coal and industrial products of the Black Country to the east and west coast, and from there to the world. Surrounding this village was largely rural, with the Dunstall Park and Oxley Manor estates on one side of the valley, and Aldersley Farm on the other.

A 17th century farmhouse stood roughly where the entrance to Aldersley Stadium lies today., and there were a few cottages.

Blakeley Green House stood, as it does today, just over the hill.

Across a couple of fields, on the Codsall Road were a row of cottages, which still stand, and Ye Olde Fieldhouse next door, where the Claregate Pub stands today.

In the 19th century, the railways cut through the area, and industrial buildings spread along the Stafford Road, so the Dunstall Park and Oxley Manor estates were sold to become racecourse and golf course.

Fred Picken was still farming at Aldersley Farm until it was purchased by the council and Aldersley Stadium built in the 1950s.

The canal junction is now a peaceful place, only leisure boats passing by. Standing by the lost village of Aldersley, as herons swoop overhead, it's hard to imagine you are surrounded by a large industrial city.

The terrace of four cottages on the Oxley Manor corner

The cottage alongside Blakeley Green House, which just survived demolition recently

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Region is hit hard by toll of repossessions

UP to six out of every 1,000 homes in the West Midlands have been repossessed, according to new figures.

Council leaders say they are concerned that the region has been hit harder than most by the recession.

The homeless charity Shelter revealed that Sandwell is the biggest hotspot in the region for possession claims by building societies. The national average is 3.5 homes repossessed for every 1,000.

Cannock Chase is sixth with just under five out of every 1,000 being repossessed. Wolverhampton is seventh and Walsall ninth. Dudley is 13th, while Wyre Forest is 16th, Lichfield is 18th, Stafford 21st and South Staffordshire 24th.

Chief executive of Shelter, Campbell Robb, said: "Most people think repossession will never happen to them, but rising unemployment and living costs and high house prices mean that many people are living close to the edge."

Councillor Mike Bird, leader of Walsall Council, added: "It shows that the Black Country has been hit harder than many other areas of the country in the recession."

Sandwell Council leader Darren Cooper said: "If someone does default we would be able to let them stay in their home and rent it. But building societies need to be as lenient as possible." Wolverhampton's housing chief Councillor Peter Bilson said: "It is a big worry."

Safety win for school team

Youngsters from Bleakhouse Junior School celebrate their win

YOUNGSTERS at a Sandwell primary school are celebrating a win in the West Midlands fire service's schools safety challenge.

Six school which got through the preliminary rounds came together for a competition at West Bromwich fire station. They were Grove Vale primary, The Priory primary, Tameside primary, Bleakhouse junior, Christ Church CE primary, and St Bosco Catholic primary.

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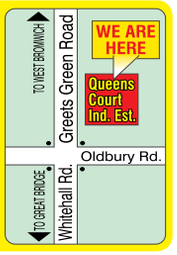

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Parking fines just bring in revenue

I WENT in to Birmingham recently to see a concert at the O2 Academy. Around the streets at the back of the venue are pay and display parking areas. In between, the roads have single yellow lines.

I checked for signage to see when the restrictions applied but couldn't see any.

The meters were free after 6pm. I assumed (wrongly) that the yellow lines had the same restriction and, as it was just after 7pm and several other cars were parked there, I would be OK.

When arriving back at the car I found that I, along with all the others, had a fixed penalty notice which had been issued at 7:15pm.

As there was no signage in the street I did some research and found that this was a controlled parking area where parking was allowed after 7:30pm. The signage for this restriction is only placed at the entrance to the controlled area. This could be several streets away!

The council's reasoning for this is that it "reduces street clutter by not fitting signage in each street".

I really do not understand how the council can expect drivers to notice these signs while navigating in an unfamiliar city. It seems to be a good way of earning revenue – no obvious signs and wardens patrolling just before the free period starts when they know there will be 3,000 people attending the O2 around the corner.

I will pay the fixed penalty as I was parked illegally but I for one will not be attending the O2 or any other Birmingham venue again.

Michael Duncombe,
Old Fallings Lane,
Wolverhampton.

Vulnerable make the greatest sacrifices

CUTS need to be made to council spending, but why is it that the more vulnerable sections of the community seem to have to make the greatest sacrifices?

Hardly a day goes by without a library closing, community centres being merged, charges for use of facilities increasing.

Not every pensioner is keeping in touch with friends via Facebook. Some of us like to talk face-to-face in known surroundings – libraries and community centres.

What makes the pill even more bitter is that £20million is being found to refurbish council offices.

Couldn't something be sacrificed to be invested in the community? Isn't that why we pay our council tax?

David Steele,
Tynedale Crescent,
Wolverhampton.

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Council neglecting what is essential

FOR five years I have been asking Walsall MBC to clear the drains in Anchor Road and Portland Road, and other drains in the area, but with no result. We have been fortunate in the middle of Aldridge not to have flooding, but drains are there to clear away the water when it rains.

Flooding caused by the extreme weather recently caused traffic chaos, yet the MBC can spend our money on hare-brained schemes, neglecting that which is essential.

Again, the MBC can waste our money on such items as the fountains in the old paddling pool in the arboretum, (£175,000), the welcome signs installed on main roads (£450,000).

Is it a case of the tail wagging the dog, ie the council not controlling what its staff are doing, or just that the members can't see any further than the ends of their financial noses, not appreciating what they are letting us in for? Councillors must have commercial experience and common sense.

Alan Sheath,
UKIP Walsall Branch.

Heartfelt thanks to all those who care

I HAD a bad fall in my home in April. I managed to dial 999, and the ambulance arrived within two minutes to take me to Russells Hall Hospital.

I was almost immediately seen by a doctor and X-rayed. I was admitted to Ward C8 and seen by Mr Davis, the orthopaedic consultant, who ordered an MRI scan.

I was taken to ward B1 and moved to ward B2 where again I was treated well.

I am 76 and I was treated with the utmost respect. From the cleaners to the nurses, consultants and junior doctors, I was given first class care.

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Holiday club gets £30,000 lifeline

THE future of a children's holiday club was secured for the next three years when it won £30,000 funding from Children in Need.

The holiday club is based at the Brasshouse Community Centre.

Charitable trusts have also sponsored the provision for families in the Smethwick area to the tune of £9,000 this year alone.

Sue Howarth, who heads the North Smethwick Development Trust running the centre, said the money had offered a vital lifeline to the club, and would mean the centre offering the programme for five days a week over the six-week holiday.

The activities had previously been run for three days a week.

She said: "Parents are scrambling for this kind of provision more and more, and this funding will allow us to keep our prices affordable for the families who need it the most."

The club, which was formed in 2002, will include an Olympic week this year as well as a week of drama, music and dance which will culminate in a performance

The club is £5 a day per child.

Production date

CHILDREN'S theatre production Paper Wings will be performed at West Bromwich arts centre The Public on July 25.

Call to invest £100m a year in tram-trains

UP to £100 million a year should be invested in tram-trains, the head of the West Midlands transport authority has said.

Geoff Inskip, chief executive of Centro, has called on the Department for Transport to set aside the funds.

Tram-train is a light-rail public transport system where trams can run on tram tracks and on mainline railway tracks. Mr Inskip says they offer better value for money.

He said: "Tram-train is a brilliant concept ripe for development. It combines the tram's flexibility and accessibility with a train's greater speed.

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"It is why the Government should set aside £100m per annum.

"In this way we can get on with delivering the Department for Transport's agenda of delivering a better value for money railway and a greener economy.

"In the Centro region alone we have three possible applications – Wednesbury- Stourbridge, Walsall-Wolverhampton and Walsall-Wednesbury.

By starting work now, the successful outcomes of the national trial can be immediately captured."

Mr Inskip said tram-train operating costs were usually cheaper than those of conventional rail services.

"Tram-train is a proven concept. The benefits are too great for the opportunity to realise them to be missed," Mr Inskip said.

Pupils' North Sea adventure

Dalraj Dhaliwal and Yasmin Fox, both aged 17, of the Sandwell Academy

TWO students from the Sandwell Academy, West Bromwich, are taking part in a North Sea adventure on board a 200ft tall ship.

Dalraj Dhaliwal and Yasmin Fox are among a crew of 45 students from 20 schools across the UK taking part in the 12th Anniversary Tall Ships Youth Trust Voyage of Achievement funded by HSBC. They are sailing the ship up along the east coast before sailing into Portsmouth nextTuesday.

The voyages develop life skills, confidence and team work while on a practical level, they help the students learn first-hand about sailing, geography and weather systems.

Smell complaints

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Town preparing for big glassmaking celebration

PREPARATIONS are gathering pace for an event celebrating the glassmaking history of a Black Country town.

The International Festival of Glass, in August, has attracted glassmakers from around the world.

The experts will be demonstrating, teaching and exhibiting at venues in Stourbridge including the Ruskin Glass Centre at Amblecote, Red House Glass Cone in Wordsley and Broadfield House Glass Museum in Kingswinford.

The spectacle, which will celebrate 400 years of glassmaking in Stourbridge and 50 years of studio glassmaking worldwide, will run over the August Bank Holiday weekend from August 24 to 27.

Ahead of the main event, a series of glassmaking classes will run from August 20 until August 23.

Techniques being taught will include furnace building, marble making, hot glass casting, extreme fusing and glass-blowing.

The main event will feature a series of exhibitions staged at venues across the Glass Quarter, including the prestigious British Glass Biennale which celebrates the best of British glassmaking.

Other exhibitions at the event will include 21st Century Engraved Glass, a national display of contemporary and traditional original glass engraving by members of the Guild of Glass Engravers.

Firm's £200m milestone

A BUSINESS which designs and supplies equipment for the aluminium industry has celebrated with its staff since topping £200 million in orders.

Chris Emes and Andrew Riley took over Mechatherm International in High Street, Kingswinford, in 1991 from their fathers who started the business.

To celebrate the achievement all 65 employees were invited to a lunch at the Copthorne Hotel, Brierley Hill.

Chairman Mr Riley said they were well on course to achieve their target of achieving annual turnover of £25 million. The specialist furnaces and foundry equipment company, founded in 1973, mainly supplies the aluminium industry.

It has seen staff increase by about 10 in the last 12 months including seven graduates and apprentices.

Tremendous

Managing director Chris Emes said that achieving £200m was a tremendous achievement and one in which every employee had played a part. "Exports from the UK are down, but you can't accuse Mechatherm of that.

"We have got £32m of business on our books for this year, the next two years and a bit beyond.

"We are doing our bit to help export the UK out of debt," he said.

Mr Emes said they were winning orders from the Middle East, Russia, India and Venezuela.

"An order from Taiwan had just put us over the £200m," he added. Mr Riley said Mechatherm had achieved turnover of £14m for the year to the end of February and by 2013-2014 that would reach £18m.

He said the biggest threat to Mechatherm was from the problems with the euro, but 60 per cent of Mechatherm's order book was now outside the European Union.

Mr Riley said they were going to continue with an investment programme, which includes £100,000 a year on information technology and one per cent of turnover on training.

Music time from hotel

A KIDDERMINSTER hotel will be staging a musical showcase for the sound of the organ later this month.

The Association of Organ Enthusiasts will host the event, from July 9 until Julyl 12 at Mercure Kidderminster Hotel in Habberley Road.

It features concerts of popular music performed by organ and keyboard players including Nicholas Martin, Byron Jones, Ian Griffin, Kevin Morgan, Mark Thompson, David Ingley, Brett Wales and Ben Scott-Hyde.

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Roy passes on the secret of success

Businessman Roy Richardson, who developed Merry Hill Shopping Centre, handed out footballs to the children at Brockmoor Primary School

BUSINESSMAN Roy Richardson, famed for developing the Merry Hill Shopping Centre, took time out to pass on his tips for success to schoolchildren.

Mr Richardson, who with his brother Don developed the retail complex and nearby Waterfront, visited Year Six pupils at Brockmoor Primary School.

His visit came during the school's careers week to inspire the next generation of budding entrepreneurs.

Tales of how the Merry Hill Centre was built, life growing up in the Harts Hill area of Brierley Hill and his advice on future careers were all touched on during his talk recently.

He took along gifts for the children including footballs, St George Flag badges and woolly hats.

"It has been great to come down and speak to the children. I was born not far from here and I think that we have to put something back in our communities," he said.

999 crews are beating targets

BOSSES at West Midlands Ambulance Service say an ongoing multi-million pound shake-up of the service will strengthen its position as the best in the country.

Their pledge comes as new figures reveal the regional ambulance service again exceeded Government targets to reach 75 per cent of life-threatening calls within eight minutes.

The figures show the service reached 76.3 per cent of the incidents within the set time during 2011/12.

The statistics come as the service is half-way through a £9 million scheme which will transform the way it responds to emergency calls. Under the Make Ready plan two hubs and 28 community ambulance stations will replace the existing model of 13 traditional ambulance stations.

Director of service delivery Barry Thurston, said: "We believe we are the best performing ambulance service in the country and this new scheme will maintain our position.

"Along with the training of staff in new skills, we believe we can give a better response time and better clinical outcomes to our patients under the scheme."

The ambulance service has already closed and put up for sale many of its traditional stations and replaced them with the smaller community stations. The stations will be served by two hubs, one now open in Dudley and one being built in Willenhall. Ambulance crews will pick up their vehicles at the start of their shift and head to their community stations where they will respond to 999 calls.

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Wife gives a kidney to help her sick husband

Stuart Caldicott and his wife Debbie. They are both recovering from the op

A LOVING wife has donated a kidney to save her desperately sick husband.

Debbie Caldicott decided to undergo the surgery after partner Stuart's kidney problems took a turn for the worse.

The mother went through 12 months of rigorous tests before doctors gave her the go-ahead to go under the knife on February 28.

The devoted couple, who have been married 18 years, are now both on the mend after undergoing the life-saving operation at Birmingham's Queen Elizabeth Hospital.

The pair, both aged 42, of Brookfield Way, Tipton, are back at work and enjoying their new lease of life.

Mr Caldicott, a clockmaker based in Stourbridge, said: "Her gift to me has saved my life.

"I can't believe how lucky I am to have such a wonderful wife."

Dialysis

Mrs Caldicott, a manager for HM Revenue and Customs, said: "It was always something I was happy to do to make him better.

"It will not only change his life, but will improve our lives together."

Mr Caldicott's health problems started when he suffered a kidney failure eight years ago and he was forced to undergo daily dialysis.

He maintained his health for three years, but was forced to give up his job in engineering when his failing kidneys left him often too tired to work.

He started a busines,s SMD Clocks and Crafts, at the Red House Glass Cone two years ago, but last September suffered a setback and was forced to have both kidneys removed.

Charity in building society boost

A CANCER charity has had a £500 boost after being selected by customers of a building society branch in Great Barr.

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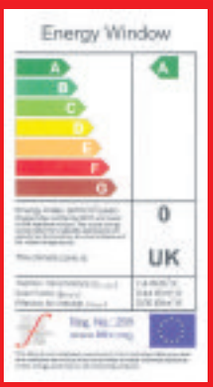

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Grant joy for park friends

A WEST Bromwich park friends group has been awarded £13,750 to create a sensory garden.

The Friends of Dartmouth Park have been awarded the grant from the Community Spaces programme, which is funded by the National Lottery. The funding will be put together with a £2,000 grant they were awarded from the Birmingham and Black Country Community Foundation.

The group has also applied for a £24,000 grant from Groundwork UK. If this bid is succesful Sandwell Council will act as administrators of this grant.

The sensory garden is for visually impaired people.

Historic town centre church gets £40,000 repairs boost

AN historic church in the centre of West Bromwich is to get a £40,000 cash boost.

St Michael and the Holy Angels Catholic church is one of 30 places of worship selected for funding from the National Churches Trust.

Priest Stan Nwanunobi said: "We're really pleased. The church is a lovely place with good people. Any help we can get is significant. We look forward to improving the church so we can benefit the whole community."

The National Churches Trust is a charity that looks after church buildings.

St Michael and the Holy Angels church, based in High Street, was built in 1832. One of the first priests was George Spencer, the great-great-great-uncle of Diana, Princess of Wales. He is now being considered for beatification.

The money will be used to make repairs and upgrade the toilets and catering facilities.

The National Churches Trust said outdated and inadequate facilities at the church mean it is underused for community activities.

"This will allow greater use of community facilities by ethnic groups and older people including English language classes for new migrants, IT classes and dementia care," it said.

Claire Walker, chief executive of the National Churches Trust said: "Our latest grants will help ensure the future of 30 places of worship."

St Michael and the Holy Angels

Reunion gives lift for charity

A DOG charity will receive a cash boost thanks to a reunion for pupils in Tividale.

More than 60 people from schools including Tividale Primary, City Road Primary, Oakham County Primary and Tividale Comprehensive, attended the get-together at Tividale Football Club last month.

The event raised £140.50 for Forest Dog Rescue, of Worcestershire, and £50 for the football club.

It was the fourth time Wendy Squires, of Victory Close, in Stourport, organised a reunion. She said: "The feedback has been wonderful. It's so comfortable to do, no pressure, and everyone seems to enjoy themselves."

Rebuilt cottage is celebrated

Alan and Jean Carter and other volunteers celebrate

VOLUNTEERS who helped rebuild a cottage at the Black Country Living Museum brick by brick, gathered to celebrate its 20th anniversary.

June 2012 marks two decades since Pitts Cottage was brought to the site after being dismantled in Bilston. The group worked hard to restore it.

The Dudley museum invited those involved in the rebuild, fitting out and manning of the cottage to get together to mark the anniversary. More than 100 people attended the event, including about 40 of the volunteers.

Alan Carter, of the Friends of the Museum, said they were pleased with the turnout and hoped that some day the others might be traced.

The 78-year-old added: "It was great to celebrate this milestone and look back on the work we did. The cottage is something we can be proud of."

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Son and girlfriend face no charges over deaths

TWO people arrested in connection with a double shooting in Walsall will face no further police action.

An investigation was launched after teaching assistant Clare Sly, aged 39, and 43-year-old Derrick Vassell were found dead at their home in Laneside Gardens, Birchills, in the early hours of June 8

The couple's 23-year-old driving instructor son Anthony Vassell and his girlfriend Cherelle Johnson, 22, were arrested on suspicion of murder and released on bail. But police now say they are satisfied that they were not involved.

Their bail has now been cancelled and they face no charges.

Inquest

Police have previously said they are investigating the possibility that mother-of-three Miss Sly shot her partner before taking her own life.

An inquest on the couple opened last week and has been adjourned. It will reopen once further investigations have taken place.

A post mortem examination revealed both victims died as a result of gunshot wounds to the chest.

Sale of playing fields proposed

PLAYING fields in Walsall could be sold off for housing. Consultation has opened over proposals to sell off fields at four former schools.

Fields affected are at the former Beechdale Primary in Remington Road; Clothier Street Primary in Willenhall; Lakeside Primary in Holman Close, Willenhall; and Daw End Special School, Floyds Lane, Rushall. Walsall Council is asking for views.

Arson reward offer

Boss Sohan Singh with one of the burnt out cars at MSGT Motors

THE owner of a family-run garage has put up a £10,000 reward in a bid to catch those who torched his Walsall garage.

Only the empty shells of a Peugeot 207, Vauxhall Astra and Renault Scenic were left following the arson attack at MSGT Motors showroom, which caused £16,000 worth of damage to the business.

Sohan Singh, owner of the 29-year-old firm in Leamore Lane, said he would offer the reward for information leading to conviction of the culprits.

The father of five said a trailer used for storing spare parts was also destroyed in the blaze.

Mr Singh, aged 66, of Chantry Avenue, Bloxwich, said: "It happened in the early hours of the morning when I was at home asleep. Someone knocked on my door who lives near the garage and alerted me to it.

"The cars burned down to their bare shells and the aluminium on a trailer, which is used for storage, melted in the intense heat.

"The cars were up for sale. If they had been any closer to the workshop, that might have gone up too."

He said CCTV footage had captured images of someone setting fire to the vehicles.

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Gang sentenced for £1.5m rail track theft

RAILWAY industry workers have been jailed for the theft of track and other materials worth up to £1.5 million.

Five people, including three from the Black Country, were involved in the operation. The "industrial scale" thefts took place at Network Rail projects, with lorry-loads of used rails diverted to unauthorised scrapyards.

A judge at Birmingham Crown Court jailed John Burtenshaw, aged 53, Terence Doherty, 48, Stuart Amphlett, 33, Paul Tandon, 47, and 41-year-old Neil Jones for conspiracy to steal.

Two other men – Nicky Halloran, 27, and 43-year-old Roy Skinner – were given suspended sentences after admitting respective charges of conspiracy to steal and theft.

The court heard the group had exploited the maintenance work being carried out by Network Rail on the main line at Rugby.

Conspiracy

Jones, of Bradshaw Avenue, Darlaston, was found guilty of conspiracy to steal and was sentenced to 21 months.

Tandon, of Curbar Road, Great Barr, got 18 months, having admitted conspiracy to steal, and Amphlett, of Wychbold Crescent, Kitts Green, Birmingham, was given 18 months, having admitted conspiracy to steal.

Halloran, of Hill Top, West Bromwich, admitted conspiracy to steal and was sentenced to 12 months' jail, suspended for 18 months. He was ordered to complete 200 hours of unpaid work and given a three-month curfew.

Burtenshaw, of Fenny Road, Stoke Hammond, Buckinghamshire, was jailed for two years and nine months, having admitted conspiracy to steal.

Neil Jones, aged 41

Paul Tandon, aged 47

Nicky Halloran, aged 27

Roy Skinner, aged 43

Doherty, of Rushton Close, Burtonwood, Warrington, admitted conspiracy to steal and was sentenced to two years and six months' imprisonment.

Skinner, of Harwich, Essex, was sentenced to nine months, suspended for 18 months and ordered to carry out unpaid work for 200 hours, having pleaded guilty to the theft of 60 sleepers.

Det Sgt Chris Hearn, of British Transport Police, said: "There is no doubt that the actions of this organised group deprived Network Rail and, in turn rail users across the country, of valuable finance."

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Don't hang around when dead-heading

REGULAR watering and feeding are essential to keep hanging baskets and decorative patio containers looking good.

Find time to pick over your containers to remove dead flower heads. This will encourage more flowering.

Take extra time deadheading fuchsias or they will produce seed pods the size of grapes using up plenty of plant energy in the process.

Similarly, don't be frightened of cutting back long trailing plant material that is showing bare flowerless patches.

Some trailing petunias, bidens and nasturtiums are inclined to rampage but can be cut back quite hard without harming the plants.

The recent heavy rain has put pay to serious drought. So feeding containers once a week with the hose-end Miracle-Gro Liquafeed system is back on the agenda as quick and convenient.

Excess

Traditionalists can still dissolve the blue crystals in a watering can and wet the compost. But to save water, always fit a drip tray or saucer under the pot. This will allow the compost to suck back any excess water without it running to waste.

A hose-end feeding system allows you to treat a whole garden in just a few minutes.

Just fit to the feeder to the end of a hose and screw in a bottle of concentrated plant food.

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Removing dead flower heads will encourage more flowering

Topical tips

Planning for autumn colour on the patio means that it's time to sow seeds of winter flowering pansies and biennials such as stock, sweet williams and wallflowers.

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PLAYERS are wanted for a volleyball tournament on Saturday.

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People can play for free or enter a team in a competition for £25.

The tournament is organised by volunteers supported by Sandwell Council, Sandwell Leisure Trust and Volleyball England. It starts at 10am.

For more information of to register a team of six players contact Vic Westwood on 0121 602 2484 or email vicwestw@blueyonder.co.uk

Councillor Linda Horton said: "It is great Sandwell hosts this prestigious tournament."

Council tenants buying their homes spark waiting list fears

MORE people are using the right to buy their council homes in the West Midlands, according to the latest figures.

Councils that still own and let housing have revealed the number of people buying properties went up in 2011/12.

Local authorities fear that the trend could heap more pressure on council waiting lists. No new homes have been built in many areas since the 1980s.

In the region, Sandwell has seen the biggest number of tenants become home owners with 76 properties bought.

Sandwell Homes raked in £4.6 million by selling council properties last year but only £1.1m of this was kept by Sandwell Council. The rest went to the Government.

The previous year 55 homes were bought by tenants in the borough.

Wolverhampton Homes, which manages housing for Wolverhampton City Council, sold 60 properties over the past 12 months earning £3.2m, before the Government took its cut. The previous year 51 homes were bought.

In Dudley 57 properties were bought last year (46 the year before) and the council was able to keep £1m.

Prime Minister David Cameron wants more council tenants to buy their own homes and is preparing to offer discounts of up to £75,000.

Councils would be allowed to keep all the money they receive to build replacement homes.

In a review of housing needs chaired by former Wolverhampton councillor John Pask, the city council said it was concerned that use of the right to buy would result in a drop in available homes for tenants.

The review reads: "Even though the Government has said that the council can keep the money from the sale of the council house to help build another one, in reality this will not be the case."

Staff aim to boost charity

STAFF at a Black Country training company aim to raise more than £1,000 for Cancer Research when they take part in a Race for Life event.

Eight women who work at Oldbury-based BCTG – Black Country Training Group – in Taylors Lane have signed up for the event on July 15. They will walk or run five kilometres around Dudley's Himley Hall and Park.

The team raises money for charity every year. This year they decided to join the Race for Life event."

The Himley Race for Life is one of 240 taking part across the UK. Two races will take place at the park on July 15.

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Their coming-of-age romantic drama told the story of a girl's relationship with her dance instructor, whom she met during a summer holiday.

Starring a young Patrick Swayze as dancer Johnny Castle and then unknown actress Jennifer Grey as Frances 'Baby' Houseman, the film was a love story that spans the class divide and had young girls lusting after the hunky male star with the sexy moves.

Now the story is being retold on stage in a production that opened at Birmingham Hippodrome last night (Wednesday) and will run throughout the summer, until August 25.

The production features hit songs, including Hungry Eyes, Hey Baby, Do You Love Me? and I've Had The Time Of My Life."

Californian star Jill Winternitz, who plays the lead role of Baby, said: "The run in Birmingham will last for eight weeks.

Excited

"We're very excited." Paul-Michael Jones, who plays Johnny, added: "We'd been doing it for nearly a year and the audience responses have been electric."

Another major musical opens in Birmingham next week when 1930s-set show 42nd Street starts a five-day run at the New Alexandra Theatre on Tuesday, July 10, with Marti Webb.

He will not be putting Baby in a corner – Paul Michael Jones and Jill Winternitz in the musical Dirty Dancing

Ballet gets Olympic spirit

Summer Celebration, Birmingham Royal Ballet, Birmingham Hippodrome

MUSCULAR and frenetic ballet Faster got a warm reception at its world premiere last week but no standing ovation for its choreographer, Birmingham Royal Ballet director David Bintley.

As this one-act ballet celebrates the Olympic spirit and eye-on-the-prize determination, that felt more like a silver than gold medal performance. Olympic bureaucrats had already soured matters by refusing permission for the 35-minute work to be named Faster, Higher Stronger. The International Olympic Committee belatedly ruled that the Olympic motto could not be used.

Power

Bintley's work celebrates physical power and pursuit of excellence in sport, reflected in the fitness and pursuit of perfection in ballet. His choreography mirrored the disciplines of track and field, even synchronised swimming, rugby and fencing and, to amusing effect, race walking. But Matthew Hindson's clattering disaster movie-like score was deafeningly dramatic.

The triple bill also featured The Grand Tour, a 1930s voyage with such celebrities as Noel Coward. Joy Layon's choreography was amusing, particularly with dancers puffing from cigarette holders. Frederick Ashton's The Dream was magical, and as Bottom Jonathan Caguioa danced 'en pointe', a real hoofer!

Leon Burakowski

All that jazz across the city

THE 28th Birmingham International Jazz and Blues Festival starts tomorrow (Friday), with 170 performances at 70 venues in the city over 10 days – and most gigs are free.

Pubs, gardens and shopping centres are among venues which will host the best of jazz talent from the UK, Europe and America.

Special events include free jitterbug dance lessons at Star City and a reggae night at Edgbaston's Botanical Gardens with Musical Youth (Sunday). See birmingham-jazzfestival.com

Movie star on red carpet

HOLLYWOOD star Danny DeVito will be treading the red carpet in Birmingham later this month, along with members of the US and Jamaica Olympic squads, at the premiere of new 3D animated movie Dr Seuss' The Lorax.

Cineworld on Broad Street will be hosting the prestigious screening of the major new family movie on the morning of Sunday, July 22. DeVito voices the title character in the film made by the same team behind hit film Despicable Me.

The Olympic athletes are based in the city to prepare for London 2012. Dr Seuss' The Lorax is released on July 27.

Men In Black star Will Smith brought Broad Street to a halt when he visited the same cinema in 2005.

Grave humour to start summer play season

The Cemetery Club, Wolverhampton Grand

IT WAS an excellent to start to Ian Dickens' Summer Play Season at the Grand Theatre last week with Ivan Menchell's The Cemetery Club, first of four productions.

As the title would suggest this is a black comedy and surrounds the lives of three widows who meet on a regular basis to visit their husbands' graves. But there is much more to this play than that. It's a moving and extremely witty production which takes the audience on a rollercoaster ride of emotions, from unexpected laugh-out-loud moments to the heart-wrenching feelings caused by the loss of loved ones, and played to perfection by an all-star cast.

Rapport

There is a completely natural rapport between the three actresses in the leading roles, which only comes from extensive experience and pure talent. Anita Harris skilfully takes the character of Ida, a widow struggling with the frustration of moving on with her life and allows you to feel every disappointment she faces. Shirley-Anne Field is wonderfully flirty and exceptionally glamorous as man-eater Lucille, while ex-Neighbours star Anne Charleston simply lives her role as Doris, who just cannot let go of the past.

Although a little long-winded, the surprising ending makes it extremely watchable. The Cemetery Club is without doubt a snapshot of real life and the heartaches we face in our twilight years.

Alison Norton

The season continues this week with political thriller Dead Ringer (to Saturday) and Melvyn Hayes growing old disgracefully in Ron Aldridge's comedy You're Only Young Twice (July 10 to 14). Then former Doctor Who Colin Baker plays a grumpy old man who refuses to leave his home in new comedy The Final Test, the first play by author Chris Paling (July 17-21).

Epic vision of the future

New books

2312 – Kim Stanley Robinson (Orbit)

FROM its opening description of mankind's colony on Mercury, a city that crawls on rails across the planet's darkside to avoid the burning intensity of the sun, this bold vision of the far-flung future is gripping.

Many humans have left the Earth for the planets and moons of the solar system. But the politics and terrorism of Earth still dogs them. At 560 pages this is a weighty tome but the author's imagination and engaging characters will keep you on board.

Tubes – Andrew Blum (Penguin)

Where's the Internet, in the 'cloud'? No, it's probably under your feet says US Wired's Andrew Blum.

It's a bunch of tubes, fibre-optic cables to be exact. They form a hidden network involving semi-secret data warehouses. It's an incredible feat of engineering that the Victorians who laid transatlantic cable would have appreciated. The writer explores this international network and meets those who keep it running.

In The Shadow Of The Sword – Tom Holland (Little Brown)

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£40,000 award for probation

STAFFORDSHIRE and West Midlands Probation Trust has won first prize in a national competition that looks at ideas to improve neighbourhoods.

It will use the £40,000 to develop a mobile phone application to make it easier for people to nominate projects they want offenders to carry out to improve their neighbourhood.

Team leader Jason Davies said: "There were 10 seriously good ideas in the final this year, which makes us even more pleased to have won."

The application will allow people to use their mobile phone to take a photo of an eyesore that they think needs cleaning up.

They can then send the photo to the relevant trust at the click of a button.

The geographical reference, or geo-tag, attached to the photo will help the trust identify the location and assess the nomination for its suitability for a clean-up.

Senior technical architect Mark Lawson added: "This is a great opportunity to learn best practice techniques that will be really useful in projects we're looking at developing."

Engaging job

WEST Midlands Police Authority is recruiting a community engagement officer to arrange meetings and events to help the authority improve its communication with the public.

Smethwick canal pump house off Great Western Street by the Galton Valley Canal Heritage Centre

Lock keeper Cliff Sherwood, who takes care of the Bratch Locks workings which are at Wombourne

Stafford Boat Club along the Staffordshire and Worcestershire Canal in Wildwood, Stafford

Canals to make splash on Google mapping project

RIVERS and canals from across Staffordshire and the Black Country are being included on a hi-tech mapping service designed by experts at the internet search engine Google.

In its latest mapping project, the team behind Google Maps has started plotting all of the UK's towpaths in a bid to get more people enjoying the country's rivers and canals.

Google Maps will be updated later this year to allow users to plan trips which include locks, bridges and towpaths along the 2,000 miles of river paths in the UK.

Among some of the routes listed will be the Staffordshire & Worcestershire canal, which takes in large parts of the area, including the historic Bratch Locks at Wombourne.

The mapping service will also include details of the Dudley Canal, which was used in the 1700s to transport coal from coalfields near Dudley to Stourbridge.

Google has started the project today in partnership with the Canal and River Trust. Tony Hales, the chairman of the trust, said: "We are delighted that these exciting partners have come on board as we launch. This is a huge vote of confidence in the Canal and River Trust and recognition of the important role it will play as the guardian of one of the nation's environmental treasures."

Ed Parsons, a geospatial technologist at Google UK, added: "Canal towpaths offer green routes through our towns and cities, and by working with the Canal and River Trust we're adding towpaths to Google Maps and encouraging people to discover their local waterway."

In AprilGoogle added live Tube information to Google Maps from Transport for London in preparation for a surge in public transport use during the Olympics.

Level

It also updated its maps service to show real-time traffic conditions, allowing it to calculate the shortest route to a user's destination.

Where Google has enough information, roads are colour-coded based on the level of congestion. Green routes are moving well, while red routes are slow.

The feature is available on Google Maps on the web and for Android mobile users in Britain, the US, Canada, France and Australia. It covers major routes across Britain.

Putting popular spots on the map

Which waterways and features will be included?

■ The **Staffordshire & Worcestershire Canal**, which takes in a large part of the area and snakes near to Stafford before taking in Penkridge, Acton Trussell and Calf Heath. The canal enters north-west Wolverhampton and shadows the River Smestow and around Compton and Tettenhall, before descending into the Bratch Locks at Wombourne.

■ **The Bratch Locks** at Wombourne are a noted feature of the canal and were opened in 1772 as a three lock staircase. They were later re-engineered as three separate locks.

■ **The Dudley Canal** was used in the 1700s to transport coal from coalfields near Dudley to Stourbridge.

■ **The Wyrley & Essington Canal**, nicknamed Curley Wyrley due to its twisting course, once busy with boats carrying coal. Runs for nearly 17 miles from Wolverhampton through to Brownhills.

Aga tops poll with public on design

AGA has been voted the best brand in the Midlands in a public poll run as part of a design expo in Birmingham.

The Shropshire oven manufacturer came out on top in the Birmingham Made Me awards.

The awards polled the West Midlands public on the region's most respected brands.

The firm also saw its latest release – the Aga Total Control named a runner-up in the award for best Midlands innovation and radical design.

The Aga Total Control can be switched on and off at the touch of a button.

Aga Rangemaster chief executive William McGrath said: "Aga is rooted in the Midlands.

"The brand speaks to cooking quality, great looks and an incomparable ambience in the home."

He added: "Being involved alongside so many great design and innovation-led brands at Birmingham Made Me Design Expo – and on the awards shortlist – makes winning a great moment for us all at Aga Rangemaster."

Aga came out on top of other well-known brands including Aston Martin, Cadbury, Codemasters, Jaguar Cars, JCB, Marmite, Paul Smith, Poundland, and The Royal Shakespeare Company.

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Chance to have say on housing shake-up plan

COUNCIL house tenants in Sandwell can have their say on proposed changes to housing services in the borough.

Proposals to bring Sandwell Homes – the organisation that runs council housing in the borough – under the council's control are being discussed with tenants and leaseholders.

A drop-in event will be held at The Council House in Oldbury between 2pm and 5pm on Saturday at which residents can ask questions about the plans.

The event is being run by an independent organisation to provide independent information and impartial advice to tenants and to seek their views on the proposed changes.

Representatives of the council and Sandwell Homes will be on hand and results of a recent survey on the proposed changes will be available.

Children are welcome.

Almost 29,000 council properties are run by Sandwell Homes, which is separate from the local authority.

Council leaders believe the plan to bring Sandwell Homes under the local authority's control would result in substantial savings which would then be re-invested into the housing stock.

For more information on Saturday's event call 0800 0855 492.

The dancers and their trophies. Now the youngsters are aiming for national success

Young dancers are in step for a top competition

YOUNGSTERS at a Sandwell dance school are aiming for the top as they represent the Midlands in a national dance final later this year.

Students at the Tracy Davies School of Dance in Smethwick have already picked up a clutch of awards. And on November 10 and 11 they will be representing the Midlands area in the International Dance Teachers' Association finals in Blackpool.

Dance teacher Tracy Davies said: "I am really proud of them. They have worked so hard in recent weeks and have done really well to get this far already.

"They are really excited. Some of the youngsters have never done competitions before so I think a few are a bit overwhelmed. The parents have been really supportive too."

The dance school has recently moved to the new dance facilities at Holly Lodge High School in Holly Lane and Ms Davies believes this has benefited pupils.

Holly Lodge headteacher Ahson Mohammed said: "We are really proud of the children."

To find out more about the dance school, contact Ms Davies on 07824 448677.

Couple mark a lifetime of love

George Buckler, aged 81, and Audrey Buckler, 83, celebrate 60 years of marriage

A COUPLE who have known each other since they were school children have celebrated their diamond wedding anniversary.

George and Audrey Buckler from Horseley Heath in Tipton marked 60 years of wedded bliss after tying the knot in 1952.

The couple's big day

George, a former engineer and retired machinist Audrey met as five-year-olds when they used to attend Sunday school at Hebron Gospel Hall in Horseley Heath – the church they later married in. George said: "We have known each other since childhood and when we were young we used to go about in a group."

Friendship turned to love and the pair started courting when George was around 16 and Audrey 18. They married on June 21 1952 and honeymooned in Blackpool.

The couple had one son, Stuart, aged 59, two grandchildren and one great-grandson.

Help needed to work on local nature reserve

A WEST Bromwich conservation group is seeking volunteers to help to preserve a special local nature reserve near the town centre.

The Friends of Sot's Hole group is seeking help with projects at the woodland at Dagger Lane on the edge of Sandwell Valley Country Park. Jo Miskin, Sandwell's Community Liaison and Project Officer, said training would be offered to anyone who needed it. He added: "All you need to bring is a pair of strong shoes or boots."

Anyone interested can call Jo on 0121 553 0220.

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Man stabbed in street as he steps out of taxi

A MAN was stabbed after he got out of a taxi and stepped into street.

The 20-year-old was taken to hospital after the early morning attack on Sunday in Castleview Road, Moxley. His injuries are not believed to be life-threatening.

Police are appealing for help to trace a dark Ford Mondeo which was seen leaving the scene.

Residents and neighbours in the area awoke to see a blue police tent had been put up for forensic tests, while the area around the scene had been cordoned off.

Detective Sergeant Angie Baggott said: "We are interested in speaking to anyone who may have been in the vicinity of Castleview Road at the time of the incident. The victim had just got out of a taxi when he was attacked. A Mondeo was seen to leave the scene.

"We are appealing for anyone who may have witnessed the incident or can help us identify his attackers or the vehicle to come forward."

Neighbours expressed their shock. Jeyabalan Arumugam, owner of Moxley Supermarket in nearby Burns Road, said: "I came into work in the morning and I saw the police tent and a police car. A lot of people have been asking what happened."

Ward Councillor Paul Bott said: "I would echo what the police have said and urge anyone with information to come forward," he added.

Anyone with information can call West Midlands Police on 101 or Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

Ramble in Wales

WALSALL group of the Ramblers will be heading to Welshpool on Sunday for a nine and a half mile walk circular walk.

This moderate walk, called 'Up and Over Long Mountain', follows Offa's Dyke path to Beacon Ring returning through Leighton Farm Park

Non members can join the walk and should call (01922) 631404 for details.

Sky's the limit for Louise

Louise Shaw, of Bloxwich, is ready to begin her Navy flying training

A STUDENT from Walsall is reaching for the skies as she prepares to become a pilot for the Royal Navy.

Louise Shaw, of Bloxwich, 23, is working towards her first solo flight with Staffordshire Gliding Club.

She set her heart on becoming a fighter pilot for the RAF but missed out when the organisation closed its recruitment. She then applied for the Royal Navy and decided to boost her chances by returning to college to study mathematics.

When she passed, the Navy offered the former Frank F Harrison school pupil the position of air traffic controller, which she declined as she was determined to fly.

She has now completed a tough medical test and will begin intensive training later this year.

"Studying at Walsall Adult and Community College helped build my confidence that I could actually achieve what I set out to achieve," she said. "I am very thankful to my tutor Steve Read.

"Special mention also has to go to Frank F Harrison, it's a great school."

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Party time as jubilee is marked

K'FORD TG

THE June meeting of Kingswinford TG took the form of a Jubilee celebration.

Chairman Enid Fennell complimented members on the imaginative way they had all managed to follow a red, white and blue theme in their attire.

The greetings card, which had been on display last month, had been duly dispatched.

After the necessary business had been completed and announcements of forthcoming federation events made, the party began.

First came the national anthem, sung with enthusiasm, but with no accompaniment. This was followed by everyone reading the officially approved Jubilee Grace. Strawberries and cream were consumed while Sheila Watt had baked a beautiful Jubilee cake. It was such a pity she was suddenly taken ill and was not able to be present to share it with us because it was really delicious.

Joan Harris proposed the loyal toast and evening continued with red, white and blue themed sales table.

There were eight raffle prizes and Mrs Fennell closed the meeting by thanking everyone who had helped in any way to make the evening a success.

The next meeting will be on July 9 with Graham Fisher talking about "The Jewels On The Cut".

Toast to Her Majesty at picnic fit for Queen

Members of Codsall M Townswomen celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee

CODSALL 'M' TOWNSWOMEN

THE Village Hall was the venue for a special picnic organised by Codsall 'M' Townswomen's Guild in celebration of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

Committee members hung flags, streamers and bunting around the hall and each table was laid with red, white and blue flowers and the Union flag with matching serviettes.

Members dressed in red, white and blue costumes and each brought their own food.

President Jean Boffey and vice president Norah Kelly judged the most patriotic outfits and Jill MacPhail and Sandra Meddings were the winners of a Jubilee lollipop. Next came a Royal quiz and one team of four ladies won Jubilee biscuits as their prizes.

A mammoth raffle was held with more than 20 prizes with proceeds going to the charities fund.

A Diamond Jubilee cake was cut and served with wine for a loyal toast and the meeting ended with the National Anthem and three rousing cheers for Her Majesty.

Commons invitation by MP

FRIENDS OF DUDLEY CASTLE

GROUP members enjoyed a visit to the Houses of Parliament at the invitation of Ian Austin MP. They were treated to a guided tour including the Jewel House.

The group meets monthly in the Castle Undercroft during the summer months and at the White House in Ednam Road during the winter and has a varied programme of speakers lined up. The next meeting is a Jubilee summer social in the Castle Courtyard on July 11 at 7.15 for 7.30pm

The next coach outing is on September 8 to Fountains Abbey and Ripon and on September 1, the group will meet for a tour and talk at Weoley Castle.

Pupils stunned to meet Dalai Lama

A GROUP of Pelsall schoolchildren had a chance meeting with the Dalai Lama during a visit to London.

The year six pupils from St Michael's CE School, Pelsall, have more reason than most to remember a trip to Parliament after meeting the spiritual leader

The lucky youngsters from the Maple Road school had the chance to meet the Dalai Lama whilst he was also visiting the Houses of Parliament.

The Tibetan Buddhist leader went over and shook the children's hands. An official photograph captured the moment (left), which is now on the Dalai Lama's official website.

Laura Harman, aged 11, said she felt privileged to have met him. "When I first saw The Dalai Lama I knew that he must be a really important person because he was surrounded by body guards but I didn't really know who he was," she said."I feel so lucky to have met and shook hands with him because there are people who follow him all over the world just to see him.

"Then to see the picture of him shaking my hand on his website was really special."

Year six leader Mrs Joy Beddard said the chance meeting occurred when the pupils went on an overnight trip to London.

As well as touring Parliament and the Natural History Museum, watching the Lion King at the Lyceum Theatre, and sleeping on HMS Belfast, they also saw London from The London Eye and from a boat on the Thames.

"The residential visit was organised to allow our children the chance to experience the many wonderful opportunities our capital city has to offer," explained Mrs Beddard. "But we could never have anticipated meeting such an iconic religious leader as the Dalai Lama."

Laura Harman shakes the hand of spiritual leader the Dalai Lama at the Houses of Parliament while school friends look on *Picture Ian Cumming*

New Co-op store at former car site

JOBS will be created when a new Co-op store opens on the site of a former car dealership in Walsall by this autumn.

Demolition of the old Vauxhall Motors site in Fullbrook is now under way under plans to replace it with a 3,000 sq ft shop. Hoardings have been placed around the site promoting the opening of the Midcounties Co-operative in November this year.

The Steve Thompson dealership was empty for two years after shutting in 2010 with the loss of 20 jobs after trading for 40 years. It has not been revealed how many jobs will be created but construction will take place over the coming months. The plans for the land on the corner of the Broadway and Hawes Road were agreed by Walsall Council and have been hailed as a big boost to the area.

Regeneration chief councillor Adrian Andrew said: "It is good a derelict site is being invested in."

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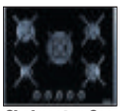

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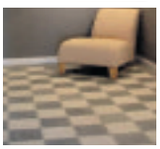

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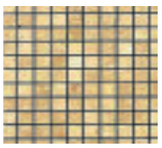

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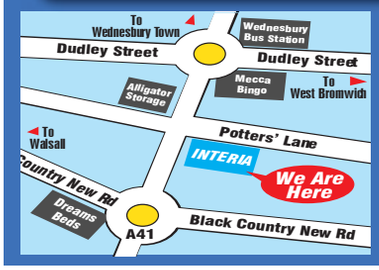

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BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. **10.00** Saturday Kitchen Live. **11.30** Raymond Blanc's Kitchen Secrets. (R) **12.00** BBC News; Regional News; Weather. **12.15** Bargain Hunt. (R) **1.00** Escape to the Country. **1.30** Wimbledon 2012.

6.10 BBC News; Regional News; Weather.

6.30 Film: Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom. (1984) Action adventure, starring Harrison Ford.

8.20 The National Lottery: Secret Fortune. Siblings Zoe and Ronnie compete in the high-tension quiz show presented by Nick Knowles, hoping to win enough money to take their mother on a trip to Las Vegas.

9.10 Casualty. The ED staff deal with a potentially fatal application of force by police officers, who use a stun gun on an ex-con during a domestic incident. Guest starring Natalie Gavin.

10.00 BBC News; Weather.

10.20 Mrs Brown's Boys. Agnes ends up at the wrong venue after trying to gatecrash Maria's hen party. She then tries to impress the bride-to-be's mother during a dinner date, but the evening ends in chaos. (R)

10.50 Live at the Apollo. Stand-up comedy from the Hammersmith Apollo; (R) National Lottery Update.

11.35 Film: 16 Blocks. (2006) A burned-out cop escorts a witness to a trial – but the crooked cops he is testifying against want him dead before he makes it to the courthouse. Thriller, starring Bruce Willis.

1.10 Weatherview. **1.15** BBC News.

BBC2

6.00 CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **12.10** Live Formula 1: British Grand Prix Qualifying. The battle for pole position from Silverstone (Start-time 1.00pm). **2.30** The Sky at Night. (R) **3.10 Film:** The Desperados. (1969) Western, starring Jack Palance. **4.40** Flog It! (R) **5.40** Dad's Army. (R)

6.10 Wimbledon 2012. Sue Barker presents further live coverage from the All England Club, featuring the women's and men's doubles finals.

8.00 Today at Wimbledon. John Inverdale presents highlights of the women's singles final from the All England Club. Plus, action from the men's and women's doubles finals.

9.00 The Hollow Crown – Henry IV Part 1. King Henry argues with his son and heir Prince Hal over the unsavoury company he is keeping – just as rebels threaten the land. Shakespeare adaptation, starring Jeremy Irons.

10.55 Jeremy Irons on the Henrys. The actor explores Shakespeare's depictions of Henry IV and Henry V, examining his treatment of fact and fiction and discovering why his plays may not be as patriotic as they seem.

11.55 TOTP2. Performances by Frankie Goes to Hollywood, Stevie Wonder, Spitting Image, Kylie Minogue, Gary Numan, Squeeze and Tina Turner. (R)

12.55 Film: Small Engine Repair. (2006) A would-be country singer and his mechanic friend discover more important things in life when an unstable ex-convict shows up. Comedy drama, with Iain Glen and Steven Mackintosh. **2.30** Close.

ITV1

6.00 CITV: Mini CITV. **7.25** CITV. **8.25** Saturday Cookbook. **9.25** ITV News. **9.30** The Jeremy Kyle Show USA. **10.25** The Jeremy Kyle Show USA. **11.20** The Real Housewives of New York City. **12.15** ITV News; Weather. **12.25 Film:** Casino Royale. (1967) **2.55 Film:** Diamonds Are Forever. (1971) **5.05** Regional Programme; Weather. **5.15** ITV News; Weather. **5.30** Primeval.

6.25 You Cannot Be Serious! Alistair McGowan presents a topical entertainment show mixing clips, sketches and impressions based on the week's biggest and most talked-about sporting events. Last in the series.

6.55 You've Been Framed! Camcorder calamities. (R)

7.25 Superstar. New series. Andrew Lloyd Webber launches a new talent search to find an actor to play the title role in a forthcoming arena tour of Jesus Christ Superstar. Hosted by Amanda Holden.

8.25 Let's Get Gold. Vernon Kay hosts the final, as teams from across the UK try to impress Rio Ferdinand, Andrew Flintoff, Martine McCutcheon and Una Healy and win a £100,000 prize. Last in the series.

9.55 ITV News; Weather.

10.10 Mad Mad World. With Jonathan Ross, Denise Van Outen and Anthony Cotton.

10.50 Take Me Out. An actor, an impersonator, an office manager and a roller-blind fitter take part. (R)

12.05 The Store; ITV News Headlines. **2.05** In Plain Sight. (R) **2.50** ITV Nightscreen. **5.30** ITV Morning News.

CHANNEL 4

6.10 The Hoobs. (R) **6.35** The Hoobs. (R) **7.00** British GT. **7.25** The Grid. **7.55** The Morning Line. **8.55** T4: T4 on the Beach 2012: Buried Treasures. **10.00** T4: Love Shaft. **10.35** T4: Revenge. **11.35** T4: The Big Bang Theory. (R) **12.10** T4: Summer Daze. **12.45** T4: The Simpsons. (R) **1.20** Road to London 2012: That Paralympic Show. **1.55** Channel 4 Racing. **4.05** Celebrity Deal or No Deal. (R) **5.05** Come Dine with Me. (R) **5.40** Come Dine with Me. (R)

6.10 Come Dine with Me. (R)

6.40 Come Dine with Me. Michelle Lindsay hosts the penultimate dinner party in Edinburgh. (R)

7.05 Come Dine with Me. Toni Giugliano hosts the final dinner party in Edinburgh. (R)

7.35 Channel 4 News.

8.00 River Cottage: Three Go Mad. Actress Felicity Kendal and Ashes to Ashes stars Philip Glenister and Keeley Hawes take part in a two-day cookery masterclass with Hugh Fearnley-Whittingstall. (R)

9.00 The Million Pound Drop Live. Davina McCall presents the quiz show in which contestants can win £1million, but lose money for giving incorrect answers.

10.35 Film: Witness. (1985) Thriller, starring Harrison Ford.

12.50 4thought.tv. **12.55** Stand Up for the Week. (R) **1.40** Comedy Lab: The Warm-Up Guy. (R) **2.05** Lucky Escape. (R) **2.10** The Million Pound Drop Live. (R) **3.30** My Friend Michael Sniff. (R) **3.35** Night Walking. (R) **3.40** St Elsewhere. (R) **4.30** Deal or No Deal. (R) **5.25** Countdown. (R)

CHANNEL 5

6.00 Milkshake! **10.00** Meerkat Manor. (R) **10.30** World's Craziest Police Pursuits 2. (R) **11.25** Big Brother: The Eviction. (R) **12.20** Ice Road Truckers: Deadliest Roads. (R) **1.25 Film:** Rio Bravo. (1959) Western, with John Wayne and Dean Martin. **4.10 Film:** North By Northwest. (1959) Hitchcock thriller, starring Cary Grant.

6.55 5 News Weekend.

7.00 Cricket on 5. England v Australia. Mark Nicholas presents highlights of the fourth and penultimate one-day encounter in the five-match series, held at the Emirates Durham ICG. With commentary and analysis by Michael Vaughan, Geoffrey Boycott and Simon Hughes.

8.00 NCIS. The agents investigate the death of a Navy lieutenant at the Pentagon, but discover the chief suspect died days before his apparent victim.

9.00 Big Brother. Highlights of the most recent goings-on, including the latest eviction from the housemates' point of view.

10.00 International Boxing. Tyson Fury v Vinny Maddalone. Live coverage of the heavyweight contest from the Hand Arena in Clevedon, Somerset, where unbeaten British prospect Fury returns to action.

12.00 SuperCasino. Live interactive gaming. **4.00** HouseBusters. Life-enhancing changes to a home. (R) **4.25** Great Scientists. Italian astronomer Galileo Galilei. (R) **4.50** County Secrets. (R) **5.00** Hana's Helpline. (R) **5.10** The Milkshake! Show. The animal duo want to learn to fly. (R) **5.35** Thomas & Friends. (R) **5.45** Roary the Racing Car. Big Chris's karaoke machine breaks down. (R)

DIGITAL

BBC Three
7.00 Doctor Who **7.50** Doctor Who Confidential **8.00** Emeli Sande and Rizzle Kicks @ T **9.00** The Vaccines and the Maccabees @ T **10.00** Jessie J and Two Door Cinema Club @ T **11.00** Noel Gallagher's High Flying Birds and Calvin Harris @ T

BBC Four
7.00 The Blue Planet **8.00** Illuminations: The Private Lives of Medieval Kings **9.00 Film:** Mesrine: Killer Instinct (2008) **10.45** The Comet's Tale **11.45** The Sky at Night

ITV2
2.30 America's Got Talent **5.30 Film:** Garfield: A Tale of Two Kitties (2006) **7.05 Film:** Flipper (1996) **9.00 Film:** The Fugitive (1993) **11.40** Celebrity Juice

ITV3
3.45 Sherlock Holmes: The Last Vampyre **6.00** Agatha Christie's Sparkling Cyanide **8.00** Doc Martin **9.00** Lewis **11.00 Film:** The Witches of Eastwick (1987)

ITV4
2.00 Live Cycling: Tour de France. **4.30** The Professionals **5.30** Police, Camera, Action! **6.00** 20 Managerial Appointments That Shook the World **7.00** Cycling: Tour de France Highlights **8.00** Superbikes – When Britain Ruled the World **9.00 Film:** The Black Windmill (1974) **11.15 Film:** Boogie Nights (1997)

E4
3.05 Desperate Housewives **4.00** Revenge **5.00** How I Met Your Mother **6.00** The Big Bang Theory **8.30** How I Met Your Mother **9.00 Film:** The Devil Wears Prada (2006) **11.10** The Big Bang Theory

Film4
2.45 Zulu (1964) **5.30** Fantastic Mr Fox (2009) **7.15** Addams Family Values (1993) **9.00** Shooter (2007) **11.25** The Omen (2006)

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CHOICE

Fearne Cotton hosts

The Nation's Favourite Number One Single
ITV1, 9pm

The Queen isn't the only Great British institution celebrating a Diamond Jubilee this year – 2012 also marks the 60th anniversary of the UK singles chart. Even in these digital days, getting to number one still matters, but which single can lay claim to being the nation's favourite? That's what this new three-part series, presented by Fearne Cotton, is about to reveal as it embarks on the ultimate countdown. A group of music experts drew up a list of 60 of the greatest number ones for the public to choose from.

BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. **9.00** The Andrew Marr Show. **10.00** Sunday Morning Live. **11.00** Country Tracks; (R) Weather for the Week Ahead. **12.00** BBC News. **12.05** Live Formula 1: British Grand Prix. **12.55** Wimbledon 2012. **5.30** Escape to the Country. (R)

6.30 BBC News; Regional News; Weather.

7.00 Countryfile. The team heads to the hills of Kent, where John Craven learns about the life of National Trust founder Octavia Hill and Ellie Harrison samples a pint made with locally grown hops. Including Weather for the Week Ahead.

8.00 Antiques Roadshow. Fiona Bruce and the team return to the Weald and Downland open Air Museum in West Sussex, where items of interest include an elaborate clock and an old family toy.

9.00 Wallander. New series. The Swedish detective and his girlfriend move into a dream home together – only to discover a skeleton buried in the garden. Kenneth Branagh stars in the crime drama.

10.30 BBC News; Regional News; Weather.

10.55 John Bishop's Britain. Former cricketer Andrew Flintoff talks about his hobbies on the entertainment show that features stand-up, sketches and real-life stories. (R)

11.40 Room 101 – Extra Storage.

12.20 Weatherview. **12.25** Sign Zone: Indian Ocean with Simon Reeve. (R) **1.25** Holby City. (R) **2.25** The Great British Countryside. (R) **3.25** Great British Railway Journeys Goes to Ireland. (R) **3.55** BBC News.

BBC2

6.00 CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **10.00** Saturday Kitchen Best Bites. **11.30** MotoGP. **12.55** Live Formula 1: British Grand Prix. Coverage from Silverstone (Start-time 1.00pm). **3.30 Film:** Herbie Rides Again. (1974) Disney comedy sequel, starring Helen Hayes. **4.55** Songs of Praise. **5.30** Wimbledon 2012.

8.00 Secrets of Our Living Planet. Chris Packham travels around the globe to reveal the secrets of watery habitats, examining how plankton influence atmosphere and climate. Last in the series.

9.00 World's Most Dangerous Roads. New series. Comedians Ed Byrne and Andy Parsons brave sub-zero temperatures and traverse icy routes to drive along Siberia's M56 Kolyma highway, known as the "Road of Bones".

10.00 Mock the Week. Milton Jones and Ava Vidal join Dara O Briain, Hugh Dennis, Andy Parsons and Chris Addison for the topical comedy panel show. (R)

10.30 Line of Duty. Gates is desperate to sever his ties with Jackie after being duped into covering up her crime, but the DCI faces further danger as Arnott and Fleming close in on his secret. (R)

11.30 Episodes. Merc's moment of glory at the Man of the Year event is ruined when he learns about Matt's affair with Jamie, and Sean decides whether to fight for Beverly. Last in the series. (R)

12.00 Today at Wimbledon. **1.00** MotoGP. (R) **2.25** BBC News. **4.00** Close.

ITV1

6.00 CITV: Mini CITV. **7.25** CITV. **8.25** Dinner Date. **9.25** ITV News. **9.30** House Gift. (R) **10.25** There's No Taste Like Home. (R) **11.25** The Hungry Sailors. (R) **12.25** ITV News; Weather. **12.35** Dickinson's Real Deal. (R) **1.35** Murder, She Wrote. (R) **2.40 Film:** Columbo Goes to the Guillotine. (1989) **4.30** Doc Martin. **5.35** The Chase. (R)

6.30 Regional Programme; Weather.

6.45 ITV News; Weather.

7.00 Emmerdale. Marlon finds Ashley in Hotten and offers him a place to stay, making it clear he is merely repaying him for officiating at Tricia's funeral.

7.30 Coronation Street. Peter's hatred of Nick erupts at Simon's birthday party in the Bistro. Steve resorts to bribery to get Tracy and Beth out of No 13 and Faye's bullies step up their campaign.

8.00 Superstar. Andrew Lloyd Webber continues the search for an actor to portray Jesus, inviting the final 40 hopefuls to Superstar Island for a week of training.

9.00 The Nation's Favourite Number One Single. New series. Fearne Cotton reveals the results of an online poll to find the UK's best-loved chart-topping single of the past 60 years, with the countdown beginning at number 60.

10.30 ITV News; Weather.

10.45 Film: Children of Men. (2006) Thriller, starring Clive Owen.

12.45 The Store; ITV News Headlines. **2.45** Golden Balls. (R) **3.35** Motorsport UK. **4.25** ITV Nightscreen. **5.30** Morning News.

CHANNEL 4

6.10 Sali Mali. (R) **6.15** The Hoobs. (R) **6.40** The Hoobs. (R) **7.05** Ironman 2012. **7.35** FIM Superbike World Championship 2012. (R) **8.00** Will & Grace. (R) **8.30** Will & Grace. (R) **8.55** Frasier. (R) **9.25** Frasier. (R) **10.00** Sunday Brunch. **12.40** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **1.10** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **1.40** The Simpsons. (R) **2.10 Film:** Take the Lead. (2006) **4.30** Come Dine with Me. (R) **5.30** Deal or No Deal.

6.30 Channel 4 News.

7.00 Film: St Trinian's 2: The Legend of Fritton's Gold. (2009) Premiere. The mischievous schoolgirls hunt for buried treasure after learning their headmistress is a descendant of pirates. Comedy sequel, with Rupert Everett and Gemma Arterton.

9.00 Thelma's Gypsy Girls. New series. Dress-maker Thelma Madine expands her business and decides to hire a group of inexperienced gypsy and traveller girls as trainees.

10.00 Undercover Lover. Documentary following a 24-year-old self-made millionaire who hides his possessions and luxury lifestyle to find a woman who likes him for who he is and not his wealth.

11.05 Film: The Running Man. (1987) A convict takes part in a brutal TV game show in which he is hunted by a series of gadget-wielding killers. Sci-fi action adventure, starring Arnold Schwarzenegger, Yaphet Kotto, Maria Conchita Alonso and Richard Dawson.

12.55 4thought.tv. **1.00** Camelot. (R) **1.45** Hollyoaks. (R) **3.50** Southland. **4.35** Deal or No Deal. (R) **5.30** Countdown. (R)

CHANNEL 5

6.00 Milkshake!: Peppa Pig. **6.05** Roary the Racing Car. (R) **6.15** Fifi and the Flowertots. (R) **6.25** City of Friends. (R) **6.35** Harry and His Bucket Full of Dinosaurs. (R) **6.50** Castle Farm. (R) **6.55** Abby's Flying Fairy School. **7.05** Roobarb and Custard Too. (R) **7.10** Bananas in Pyjamas. (R) **7.25** Family! (R) **7.30** Noddy in Toyland. (R) **7.45** Bert and Ernie's Great Adventures. (R) **7.55** Little Princess. (R) **8.05** Mio Mao. (R) **8.10** The Adventures of Bottle Top Bill and His Best Friend Corky. (R) **8.20** Milkshake! Show Songs. (R) **8.25** Angelina Ballerina. (R) **8.45** Rupert Bear. (R) **9.00** Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom. (R) **9.15** The Mr Men Show. (R) **9.25** Roary the Racing Car. (R) **9.40** Jelly Jamm. (R) **10.00** Meerkat Manor. (R) **10.30** Police Interceptors. (R) **11.30** Big Brother. (R) **12.30 Film:** Murder Most Foul. (1964) **2.15 Film:** Home Alone 4. (2002) **4.00** 5 News Weekend. **4.05 Film:** Zathura: A Space Adventure. (2005)

6.00 Film: Ghostbusters. (1984) Three eccentric scientists who set up a ghost-catching business together end up having to save the world. Supernatural comedy, with Bill Murray, Dan Aykroyd and Sigourney Weaver.

8.00 Once Upon a Time. Ruby demonstrates hidden talents.

9.00 Big Brother. Daily round-up of highlights.

10.00 Film: AVP: Alien vs Predator. (2004) Sci-fi thriller, with Sanaa Lathan.

11.55 World's Craziest Daredevils. (R)

12.55 SuperCasino. **4.00** Sons of Anarchy. **4.50** County Secrets. (R) **5.00** Hana's Helpline. (R) **5.10** The Milkshake! Show. (R) **5.35** Thomas & Friends. (R) **5.45** Roary the Racing Car. (R)

DIGITAL

BBC Three
7.00 Formula 1: British Grand Prix Highlights **8.00** Elbow @ T **9.00** Nicki Minaj and Chase and Status @ T **10.00** Family Guy **10.45** Kasabian @ T

BBC Four
7.00 Lonesome George and the Battle for Galapagos **8.00** How to Go Faster and Influence People: The Gordon Murray F1 Story **9.00 Film:** Amadeus (1984) **11.50** Still Ringing After All These Years: A Short History of Bells

ITV2
2.15 Film: Flipper (1996) **4.05 Film:** Batteries Not Included (1987) **6.15 Film:** Hulk (2003) **9.00** Benidorm **10.00** Mark Wright **11.00 Film:** Three Kings (1999)

ITV3
3.50 Film: Carry On Cruising (1962) **5.40** Agatha Christie's Poirot **8.00** Agatha Christie's Marple **10.00** Wire in the Blood

ITV4
12.00 Live Cycling: Tour de France. Stage eight from Belfort to Porrentruy. **4.30** Police, Camera, Action! **5.00** The Professionals **6.00** Tommy Cooper **7.00** Cycling: Tour de France Highlights **8.00** Minder **9.00 Film:** Assassins (1995) **11.40 Film:** Wild at Heart (1990)

E4
3.10 Glee **4.10** Revenge **5.10 Film:** 10 Things I Hate About You (1999) **7.10** Rules of Engagement **8.00** The Big Bang Theory **9.00 Film:** Mission: Impossible III (2006) **11.25** 2 Broke Girls **11.55** Don't Trust the B**** in Apartment 23

Film4
3.05 One Million Years BC (1966) **5.00** MirrorMask (2005) **7.00** Coraline (2009) **9.00** What Happens in Vegas (2008) **10.55** Happy-Go-Lucky (2008)

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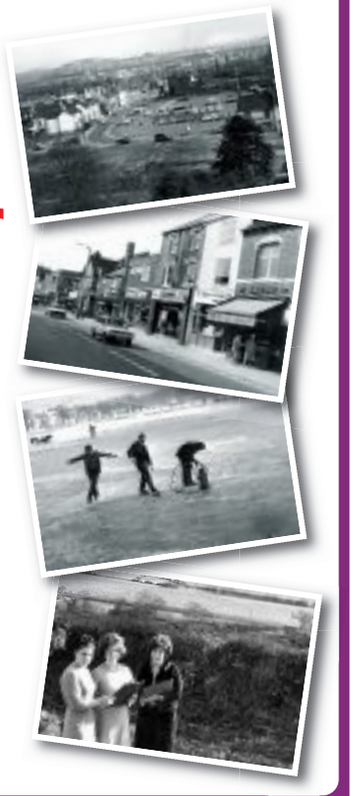

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Monday

BBC1 **6.00** Breakfast. **9.15** Heir Hunters. (R) **10.00** Homes Under the Hammer; (R) BBC News; Weather. **11.00** Cowboy Trap. (R) **11.45** Doorstep Crime 999; BBC News; Weather. **12.15** Bargain Hunt. (R) **1.00** BBC News; Weather. **1.30** Regional News; Weather. **1.45** Doctors. **2.15** Escape to the Country. (R) **3.00** BBC News; Weather; Regional News. **3.05** CBBC. **5.15** Pointless. (R) **6.00** BBC News; Weather. **6.30** Regional News Programmes; Weather. **7.00** The One Show. **7.30** Food Factory; BBC News; Regional News. **8.00** EastEnders. **8.30** Britain on the Brink: Back to the 70s? – Panorama. **9.00** Blackout. **10.00** BBC News. **10.25** Regional News; Weather. **10.35** How to Live Beyond 100. **11.15** The Graham Norton Show. (R) **12.00** Film: Educating Rita. (1983) **1.45** Weatherview. **1.50** Sign Zone: Coast. (R) **2.50** The Little Paris Kitchen: Cooking with Rachel Khoo. (R) **3.20** Fake Britain. (R) **4.05** Great British Railway Journeys Goes to Ireland. (R) **4.35** BBC News.

BBC2 **6.00** CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **8.30** CBeebies. **11.30** BBC World News. **12.00** Daily Politics. **1.00** Climbing Great Buildings. (R) **1.30** To Buy or Not to Buy. (R) **2.15** Weakest Link. (R) **3.00** Show Me the Monet. **3.45** The Hairy Bikers' Food Tour of Britain. (R) **4.30** Flog It! (R) **5.15** Antiques Road Trip. (R) **6.00** Eggheads. (R) **6.30** The Farm Fixer. **7.00** Faster, Higher, Stronger. New series. The history of the Olympic Games. **8.00** Volcano Live. **9.00** Double Cross: The True Story of the D-Day Spies. **10.00** QI. (R) **10.30** Newsnight; Weather. **11.20** Lost Land of the Volcano. (R) **12.20** World's Most Dangerous Roads. (R) **1.20** BBC News. **3.15** The Super League Show. **4.00** BBC Learning Zone.

ITV1 **6.00** Daybreak. **8.30** Lorraine. **9.25** The Jeremy Kyle Show. **10.30** This Morning. **12.30** Let's Do Lunch with Gino & Mel. **1.30** ITV News; Weather. **1.55** Regional News; Weather. **2.00** May the Best House Win. **3.00** Secret Dealers. **3.59** Regional Weather. **4.00** A Touch of Frost. (R) **5.00** Tipping Point. **6.00** Regional News; Weather. **6.30** ITV News; Weather. **7.00** Emmerdale. **7.30** Coronation Street. **8.00** Countrywise. **8.30** Coronation Street. **9.00** Live Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? The People Play. **10.00** ITV News at Ten; Weather. **10.30** Regional News; Weather. **10.35** In Plain Sight. (R) **12.20** Jackpot247; ITV News Headlines. **3.00** The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R) **3.55** ITV Nightscreen. **4.35** The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R) **5.30** ITV Morning News.

Channel 4 **6.15** The Hoobs. (R) **6.40** The Hoobs. (R) **7.05** Freshly Squeezed. **7.35** According to Jim. (R) **8.00** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **8.30** Frasier. (R) **9.00** Undercover Boss USA. (R) **10.00** Four Rooms. (R) **11.00** You Deserve This House. **12.00** Channel 4 News Midday Summary. **12.05** Jamie's 30 Minute Meals. (R) **12.35** Quick Bakes with Eric Lanlard. (R) **12.45** The Fabulous Baker Brothers. (R) **1.15** Film: Blossoms in the Dust. (1941) **3.10** Countdown. **4.00** Deal or No Deal. **5.00** Four in a Bed. **5.30** Come Dine with Me. **6.00** The Simpsons. (R) **6.30** Hollyoaks. **6.55** 4thought.tv. **7.00** Channel 4 News. **7.55** Channel 4 Presents – London 2012: Ellie Simmonds – Part III. **8.00** Beauty and the Beast: Ugly Face of Prejudice. **9.00** Gordon Behind Bars. **10.00** Secrets of the Shoplifters. (R) **11.10** Kashmir's Torture Trail. **12.10** Random Acts. **12.15** Daredevils: Life on the Edge. (R) **1.15** KOTV Boxing Weekly. **1.40** Sailing: America's Cup Uncovered. **2.10** FIVB Beach Volleyball. **3.05** The Grid. (R) **3.30** British GT. (R) **4.00** FIM Superbike World Championship 2012. **4.25** Ironman 2012. (R) **4.55** Road to London 2012: That Paralympic Show. (R) **5.20** FIA GT1 World Championship.

Channel 5 **6.00** Milkshake! **9.15** The Wright Stuff. **11.10** Extreme Fishing with Robson Green. (R) **12.10** 5 News Lunchtime. **12.15** Big Brother. (R) **1.15** Home and Away. **1.45** Neighbours. **2.15** The Mentalist. (R) **3.15** Rosamunde Pilcher's Summer. **5.00** 5 News at 5. **5.30** Neighbours. (R) **6.00** Home and Away. (R) **6.30** 5 News at 6.30. **7.00** Jurassic Park: The True Story; (R) 5 News Update. **8.00** New Police Interceptors; 5 News at 9. **9.00** Big Brother. **10.00** The Walking Dead. **11.00** Big Brother's Bit on the Side. **12.00** The Hotel Inspector. (R) **1.00** SuperCasino. **3.55** Great Artists. (R) **4.20** Wildlife SOS. (R) **5.10** House Doctor. (R)

Tuesday

BBC1 **6.00** Breakfast. **9.15** Heir Hunters. (R) **10.00** Homes Under the Hammer; (R) BBC News; Weather. **11.00** Cowboy Trap. (R) **11.45** Doorstep Crime 999; BBC News; Weather. **12.15** Bargain Hunt. (R) **1.00** BBC News; Weather. **1.30** Regional News; Weather. **1.45** Doctors. **2.15** Escape to the Country. (R) **3.00** BBC News; Weather; Regional News. **3.05** CBBC. **5.15** Pointless. (R) **6.00** BBC News; Weather. **6.30** Regional News Programmes; Weather. **7.00** The One Show. **7.30** EastEnders; BBC News; Regional News. **8.00** Holby City. **9.00** Turn Back Time – The Family. **10.00** BBC News. **10.25** Regional News; Weather.; National Lottery Update. **10.35** Imagine. **11.40** Film: Passchendaele. (2008) Premiere. First World War drama, starring Paul Gross. **1.25** Weatherview. **1.30** Sign Zone: The Meat Market: Inside Smithfield. (R) **2.30** The Men Who Made Us Fat. (R) **3.30** Crime and Punishment. (R) **4.15** Great British Menu. (R) **4.45** BBC News.

BBC2 **6.00** CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **8.30** CBeebies. **11.30** BBC World News. **12.00** Daily Politics. **1.00** Climbing Great Buildings. (R) **1.30** To Buy or Not to Buy. (R) **2.15** Weakest Link. (R) **3.00** Show Me the Monet. **3.45** The Hairy Bikers' Food Tour of Britain. (R) **4.30** Flog It! (R) **5.15** Antiques Road Trip. (R) **6.00** Eggheads. (R) **6.30** The Farm Fixer. **7.00** Faster, Higher, Stronger. Tales of triumph in the gymnastics. **8.00** Volcano Live. **9.00** Line of Duty. **10.00** Twenty Twelve. **10.30** Newsnight; Weather. **11.20** Lost Land of the Volcano. (R) **12.20** BBC News. **4.00** BBC Learning Zone.

ITV1 **6.00** Daybreak. **8.30** Lorraine. **9.25** The Jeremy Kyle Show. **10.30** This Morning. **12.30** Let's Do Lunch with Gino & Mel. **1.30** ITV News; Weather. **1.55** Regional News; Weather. **2.00** May the Best House Win. **3.00** Secret Dealers. **3.59** Regional Weather. **4.00** A Touch of Frost. (R) **5.00** Tipping Point. **6.00** Regional News; Weather. **6.30** ITV News; Weather. **7.00** Emmerdale. **7.30** Trash to Treasure. **8.00** Love Your Garden. **9.00** Live Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? The People Play. **10.00** ITV News at Ten; Weather. **10.30** Regional News; Weather. **10.35** Film: American Dreamz. (2006) Satirical comedy, starring Hugh Grant. **12.35** Jackpot247; ITV News Headlines. **3.00** Golden Balls. (R) **3.50** ITV Nightscreen. **5.30** ITV Morning News.

Channel 4 **6.00** The Treacle People. (R) **6.10** Sali Mali. (R) **6.15** The Hoobs. (R) **6.40** The Hoobs. (R) **7.05** Freshly Squeezed. **7.35** According to Jim. (R) **8.00** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **8.30** Frasier. (R) **9.00** Undercover Boss USA. (R) **10.00** Four Rooms. (R) **11.00** You Deserve This House. **12.00** Channel 4 News Midday Summary. **12.05** Jamie's 30 Minute Meals. (R) **12.35** River Cottage Bites. (R) **12.45** The Fabulous Baker Brothers. (R) **1.15** Film: Party Girl. (1958) Crime drama, starring Robert Taylor. **3.10** Countdown. **4.00** Deal or No Deal. **5.00** Four in a Bed. **5.30** Come Dine with Me. **6.00** The Simpsons. (R) **6.30** Hollyoaks. **6.55** 4thought.tv. **7.00** Channel 4 News. **7.55** Channel 4 Presents – London 2012: Ellie Simmonds – Part III. **8.00** Beauty and the Beast: Ugly Face of Prejudice. **9.00** Gordon Behind Bars. **10.00** Secrets of the Shoplifters. (R) **11.10** Kashmir's Torture Trail. **12.10** Random Acts. **12.15** Daredevils: Life on the Edge. (R) **1.15** KOTV Boxing Weekly. **1.40** Sailing: America's Cup Uncovered. **2.10** FIVB Beach Volleyball. **3.05** The Grid. (R) **3.30** British GT. (R) **4.00** FIM Superbike World Championship 2012. **4.25** Ironman 2012. (R) **4.55** Road to London 2012: That Paralympic Show. (R) **5.20** FIA GT1 World Championship.

Channel 5 **6.00** Milkshake! **9.15** The Wright Stuff. **11.10** Extreme Fishing with Robson Green. (R) **12.10** 5 News Lunchtime. **12.15** Big Brother. (R) **1.15** Home and Away. **1.45** Neighbours. **2.15** The Mentalist. (R) **3.15** Film: Stolen Innocence. (2007) Thriller, starring Gina Philips. **5.00** 5 News at 5. **5.30** Neighbours. (R) **6.00** Home and Away. (R) **6.30** 5 News at 6.30. **7.00** The Hotel Inspector; (R) 5 News Update. **8.00** Half Built House; 5 News at 9. **9.00** CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. **10.00** Big Brother. **11.00** Big Brother's Bit on the Side. **12.00** Cricket on 5. **1.05** SuperCasino. **3.55** Great Artists. (R) **4.20** Wildlife SOS. (R) **5.10** House Doctor. (R)

Wednesday

BBC1 **6.00** Breakfast. **9.15** Heir Hunters. (R) **10.00** Homes Under the Hammer; (R) BBC News; Weather. **11.00** Cowboy Trap. (R) **11.45** Doorstep Crime 999; BBC News; Weather. **12.15** Bargain Hunt. (R) **1.00** BBC News; Weather. **1.30** Regional News; Weather. **1.45** Doctors. **2.15** Escape to the Country. (R) **3.00** BBC News; Weather; Regional News. **3.05** CBBC. **5.15** Pointless. (R) **6.00** BBC News; Weather. **6.30** Regional News Programmes; Weather. **7.00** The One Show. **7.30** Fake Britain; (R) BBC News; Regional News. **8.00** DIY SOS: The Big Build. (R) **9.00** The Town That Never Retired. **10.00** BBC News. **10.25** Regional News; Weather. **10.35** The National Lottery Wednesday Night Draws. **10.45** Have I Got Old News for You. **11.15** Film: Brooklyn's Finest. (2009) **1.20** Weatherview. **1.25** Sign Zone: Brick by Brick: Rebuilding Our Past. (R) **2.25** Arts Troubleshooter. (R) **3.25** Fake Britain. (R) **4.10** Great British Menu. (R) **4.40** BBC News.

BBC2 **6.00** CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **8.30** CBeebies. **11.30** Daily Politics. **1.00** Climbing Great Buildings. (R) **1.30** To Buy or Not to Buy. (R) **2.15** Weakest Link. (R) **3.00** Show Me the Monet. **3.45** The Hairy Bikers' Food Tour of Britain. (R) **4.30** Flog It! (R) **5.15** Antiques Road Trip. (R) **6.00** Eggheads. (R) **6.30** The Farm Fixer. **7.00** Faster, Higher, Stronger. **8.00** Volcano Live. **9.00** The Secret History of Our Streets. **10.00** The Culture Show. **10.30** Newsnight; Weather. **11.20** Lost Land of the Volcano. (R) **12.20** BBC News. **4.00** BBC Learning Zone.

ITV1 **6.00** Daybreak. **8.30** Lorraine. **9.25** The Jeremy Kyle Show. **10.30** This Morning. **12.30** Let's Do Lunch with Gino & Mel. **1.30** ITV News; Weather. **1.55** Regional News; Weather. **2.00** May the Best House Win. (R) **3.00** Secret Dealers. **3.59** Regional Weather. **4.00** A Touch of Frost. (R) **5.00** Tipping Point. **6.00** Regional News; Weather. **6.30** ITV News; Weather. **7.00** Emmerdale. **7.30** Coronation Street. **8.00** Super Tiny Animals. **9.00** Live Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? The People Play. **10.00** ITV News at Ten; Weather. **10.30** Regional News; Weather. **10.35** Film: Caddyshack. (1980) **12.25** Jackpot247; ITV News Headlines. **2.35** Film: Must Love Dogs. (2005) **4.10** ITV Nightscreen. **5.30** ITV Morning News.

Channel 4 **6.15** The Hoobs. (R) **6.40** The Hoobs. (R) **7.05** Freshly Squeezed. **7.35** According to Jim. (R) **8.00** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **8.30** Frasier. (R) **9.00** Undercover Boss USA. (R) **10.00** Four Rooms. (R) **11.00** You Deserve This House. **12.00** Channel 4 News Midday Summary. **12.05** Jamie's 30 Minute Meals. (R) **12.30** Channel 4 Presents: London 2012 – David Smith Part III. (R) **12.35** The Fabulous Baker Brothers. (R) **1.05** River Cottage Bites. (R) **1.15** Film: One of Our Aircraft Is Missing. (1942) Second World War drama, starring Godfrey Tearle. **3.10** Countdown. **4.00** Deal or No Deal. **5.00** Four in a Bed. **5.30** Come Dine with Me. **6.00** The Simpsons. (R) **6.30** Hollyoaks. **6.55** 4thought. tv. **7.00** Channel 4 News. **7.55** Channel 4 Presents: London 2012 – David Clarke Pt III. **8.00** Embarrassing Bodies: Live from the Clinic. **9.00** 24 Hours in A&E. **10.00** Show Me Your Money. **11.05** Random Acts. **11.10** The Killing. **12.05** 2 Broke Girls. **12.35** Music on 4: Summer Daze. (R) **1.05** Music on 4: Tribes: Intro. **1.20** Music on 4: 4Play: The Cribs. **1.30** Music on 4: Spotlight. **1.40** Music on 4: The Crush. **2.30** Film: Akeelah and the Bee. (2006) Drama, starring Keke Palmer. **4.25** Deal or No Deal. (R) **5.20** Countdown. (R)

Channel 5 **6.00** Milkshake! **9.15** The Wright Stuff. **11.10** Extreme Fishing with Robson Green. (R) **12.10** 5 News Lunchtime. **12.15** Big Brother. (R) **1.15** Home and Away. **1.45** Neighbours. **2.15** The Mentalist. (R) **3.15** Film: A Soldier's Love Story. (2010) Romantic drama, with Lori Loughlin and Johnny Messner. **5.00** 5 News at 5. **5.30** Neighbours. (R) **6.00** Home and Away. (R) **6.30** 5 News at 6.30. **7.00** Ice Road Truckers: Deadliest Roads; (R) 5 News Update. **8.00** Building the London Underground; 5 News at 9. **9.00** NCIS. **10.00** Big Brother. More fun from the famous bungalow. **11.00** Big Brother's Bit on the Side. **12.00** Poker: The Big Game. **1.00** SuperCasino. **3.55** Great Artists. (R) **4.20** Wildlife SOS. (R) **5.10** House Doctor. (R)

Thursday

BBC1 **6.00** Breakfast. **9.15** Heir Hunters. (R) **10.00** Homes Under the Hammer; (R) BBC News; Weather. **11.00** Cowboy Trap. (R) **11.45** Doorstep Crime 999; BBC News; Weather. **12.15** Bargain Hunt. (R) **1.00** BBC News; Weather. **1.30** Regional News; Weather. **1.45** Doctors. **2.15** Escape to the Country. (R) **3.00** BBC News; Weather; Regional News. **3.05** CBBC. **5.15** Pointless. (R) **6.00** BBC News; Weather. **6.30** Regional News Programmes; Weather. **7.00** The One Show. **7.30** EastEnders; BBC News; Regional News. **8.00** Traffic Cops. **9.00** The Town That Never Retired. **10.00** BBC News. **10.25** Regional News; Weather. **10.35** June Brown: Respect Your Elders. **11.25** This Week. **12.10** Holiday Weatherview. **12.15** Sign Zone: Britain on the Brink: Back to the 70s? – Panorama. (R) **12.45** Countryfile. (R) **1.45** Antiques Roadshow. (R) **2.45** Crime and Punishment. (R) **3.30** Great British Menu. (R) **4.30** BBC News.

BBC2 **6.00** CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **8.30** CBeebies. **11.30** BBC World News. **12.00** Daily Politics. **1.00** Climbing Great Buildings. (R) **1.30** To Buy or Not to Buy. (R) **2.15** Weakest Link. (R) **3.00** Show Me the Monet. **3.45** The Hairy Bikers' Food Tour of Britain. (R) **4.30** Flog It! (R) **5.15** Antiques Road Trip. (R) **6.00** Eggheads. (R) **6.30** The Farm Fixer. **7.00** Faster, Higher, Stronger. The history of Olympic swimming competitions. Last in the series. **8.00** Volcano Live. **9.00** Pompeii: Life and Death in a Roman Town. (R) **10.00** Mock the Week. **10.30** Newsnight; Weather. **11.20** Golf: Scottish Open. **12.20** The Culture Show. (R) **12.50** BBC News. **4.00** BBC Learning Zone.

ITV1 **6.00** Daybreak. **8.30** Lorraine. **9.25** The Jeremy Kyle Show. **10.30** This Morning. **12.30** Let's Do Lunch with Gino & Mel. **1.30** ITV News; Weather. **1.55** Regional News; Weather. **2.00** May the Best House Win. (R) **3.00** Secret Dealers. **3.59** Regional Weather. **4.00** A Touch of Frost. (R) **5.00** Tipping Point. **6.00** Regional News; Weather. **6.30** ITV News; Weather. **7.00** Emmerdale. **7.30** Olympic Winners and Losers: Tonight. **8.00** Emmerdale. **8.30** Coronation Street. **9.00** Case Sensitive. Part one of two. A music teacher's husband is killed. **10.00** ITV News at Ten; Weather. **10.30** Regional News; Weather. **10.35** Piers Morgan's Life Stories: Sheila Hancock. (R) **11.35** The Late Debate. **12.05** Jackpot247; ITV News Headlines. **2.35** Olympic Winners and Losers: Tonight. (R) **3.00** ITV Nightscreen. **4.35** The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R) **5.30** ITV Morning News.

Channel 4 **6.05** The Treacle People. (R) **6.15** The Hoobs. (R) **6.40** The Hoobs. (R) **7.05** Freshly Squeezed. **7.35** According to Jim. (R) **8.00** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **8.30** Frasier. (R) **9.00** Undercover Boss USA. (R) **10.00** Four Rooms. (R) **11.00** You Deserve This House. **12.00** Channel 4 News Midday Summary. **12.05** Jamie's 30 Minute Meals. (R) **12.30** The Fabulous Baker Brothers. (R) **1.00** Channel 4 Racing. Live coverage from Newmarket. **3.10** Countdown. **4.00** Deal or No Deal. **5.00** Four in a Bed. **5.30** Come Dine with Me. **6.00** The Simpsons. (R) **6.30** Hollyoaks. **6.55** 4thought.tv. **7.00** Channel 4 News. **7.55** Channel 4 Presents – London 2012: Mandip Sehmi Part II. **8.00** Country House Rescue. **9.00** Bank of Dave. **10.00** 24 Hours in A&E. (R) **11.05** Gordon Behind Bars. (R) **12.10** Random Acts. **12.15** Undercover Boss. (R) **1.10** Our Man in Tenerife. (R) **2.05** Secrets of the Taxman: Channel 4 Dispatches. (R) **2.35** Kashmir's Torture Trail. (R) **3.30** Time Team. (R) **4.25** Deal or No Deal. (R) **5.20** Countdown. (R)

Channel 5 **6.00** Milkshake! **9.15** The Wright Stuff. **11.10** Extreme Fishing with Robson Green. (R) **12.10** 5 News Lunchtime. **12.15** Big Brother. (R) **1.15** Home and Away. **1.45** Neighbours. **2.15** The Mentalist. (R) **3.15** Film: While My Pretty One Sleeps. (1997) Murder mystery, starring Connie Sellecca. **5.00** 5 News at 5. **5.30** Neighbours. (R) **6.00** Home and Away. (R) **6.30** 5 News at 6.30. **7.00** Police Interceptors; (R) 5 News Update. **8.00** Marco Pierre White's Kitchen Wars; 5 News at 9. **9.00** The Hotel Inspector. **10.00** Big Brother. **11.00** Big Brother's Bit on the Side. **12.00** SuperCasino. **3.55** Great Artists. (R) **4.20** Wildlife SOS. (R) **5.10** House Doctor. (R)

Friday

BBC1 **6.00** Breakfast. **9.15** Heir Hunters. (R) **10.00** Homes Under the Hammer; (R) BBC News; Weather. **11.00** Cowboy Trap. (R) **11.45** Doorstep Crime 999; BBC News; Weather. **12.15** Bargain Hunt. (R) **1.00** BBC News; Weather. **1.30** Regional News; Weather. **1.45** Doctors. **2.15** Escape to the Country. (R) **3.00** BBC News; Weather; Regional News. **3.05** CBBC. **5.15** Pointless. (R) **6.00** BBC News; Weather. **6.30** Regional News Programmes; Weather. **7.00** The One Show. **7.30** A Question of Sport; BBC News; Regional News. **8.00** EastEnders. **8.30** Would I Lie to You? (R) **9.00** New Tricks. (R) **10.00** BBC News. **10.25** Regional News; Weather. **10.35** Michael McIntyre's Comedy Roadshow. (R) **11.20** The National Lottery Friday Night Draws. **11.30** White Van Man. **12.00** EastEnders. (R) **1.55** Weatherview. **2.00** Sign Zone: Chatsworth. (R) **3.00** Britain's Biggest Hoarders. (R) **4.00** Great British Menu. (R) **4.30** BBC News.

BBC2 **6.00** CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **8.30** CBeebies. **11.30** BBC World News. **12.00** Daily Politics. **1.00** Climbing Great Buildings. (R) **1.30** To Buy or Not to Buy. (R) **2.15** Weakest Link. (R) **3.00** Show Me the Monet. **3.45** The Hairy Bikers' Food Tour of Britain. (R) **4.30** Flog It! (R) **5.15** Antiques Road Trip. (R) **6.00** Live Athletics: London Grand Prix. Coverage of the eighth Diamond League meeting of the season at Crystal Palace. **8.30** BBC Proms 2012. **10.30** Newsnight. **11.00** Weather. **11.05** Golf: Scottish Open. **12.05** T in the Park 2012 – Highlights. **2.05** BBC News. **4.05** Close.

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Channel 4 **6.05** The Treacle People. (R) **6.15** The Hoobs. (R) **6.40** The Hoobs. (R) **7.05** Freshly Squeezed. **7.35** According to Jim. (R) **8.00** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **8.30** Frasier. (R) **9.00** Undercover Boss USA. (R) **10.00** Four Rooms. (R) **11.00** You Deserve This House. **12.00** Channel 4 News Midday Summary. **12.05** Jamie's 30 Minute Meals. (R) **12.30** The Fabulous Baker Brothers. (R) **1.00** Channel 4 Racing. Live coverage from Newmarket and York. **3.10** Countdown. **4.00** Deal or No Deal. **5.00** Four in a Bed. **5.30** Come Dine with Me. **6.00** The Simpsons. (R) **6.30** Hollyoaks. **6.55** 4thought. tv. **7.00** Channel 4 News. **7.55** Channel 4 Presents – London 2012: Danielle Brown Part III. **8.00** Come Dine with Me. **9.00** The Million Pound Drop Live. **10.35** The Angelos Epithemiou Show. **11.10** A Short History of Everything Else. **11.40** Random Acts. **11.45** New Girl. **12.15** New Girl. **12.45** Film: Transamerica. (2005) Comedy drama, with Felicity Huffman and Kevin Zegers. **2.25** The Million Pound Drop Live. (R) **3.45** St Elsewhere. (R) **4.30** Deal or No Deal. (R) **5.25** Countdown. (R)

Channel 5 **6.00** Milkshake! **9.15** The Wright Stuff. **11.10** Eddie Stobart: Trucks and Trailers. (R) **12.10** 5 News Lunchtime. **12.15** Big Brother. (R) **1.15** Home and Away. **1.45** Neighbours. **2.15** The Mentalist. (R) **3.15** Film: Lying to Be Perfect. (2010) Romantic comedy, with Poppy Montgomery and Adam Kaufman. **5.00** 5 News at 5. **5.30** Neighbours. (R) **6.00** Home and Away. (R) **6.30** 5 News at 6.30. **7.00** Building the London Underground; (R) 5 News Update. **8.00** Ice Road Truckers: Deadliest Roads; 5 News at 9. **9.00** Big Brother: Live Eviction. **10.00** The Bachelor. Spencer discovers one of the women has been hiding a secret. **11.00** Big Brother's Bit on the Side. **12.00** SuperCasino. **3.55** Motorsport Mundial. **4.20** Wildlife SOS. (R) **5.10** House Doctor. (R)

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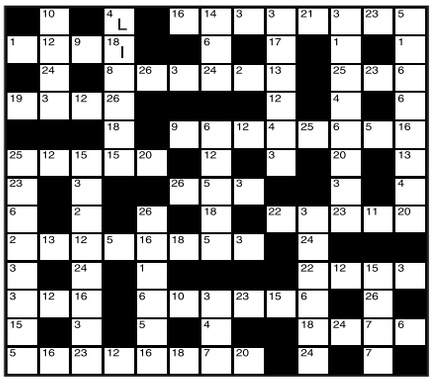

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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:

1 G	2 A	3 H	4 K	5 N	6 R	7 D	8 E	9 S	10 W	11 X	12 Y	13 O
14 U	15 J	16 T	17 F	18 Q	19 C	20 L	21 P	22 M	23 Z	24 I	25 V	26 B

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Double Crossword

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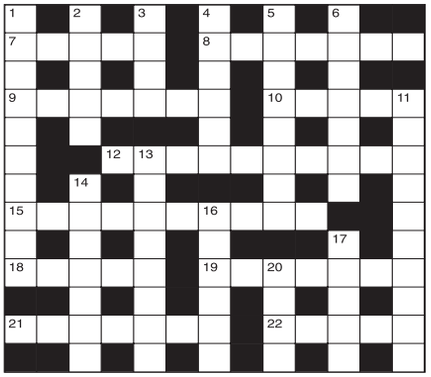

Cryptic Clues:

Across

7. French study involving notes (5)
8. A dramatic attempt to include the elderly (7)
9. Life will have intriguing possibilities for him (7)
10. I had been in front but became lazy (5)
12. It's not bound to be played! (5,5)
15. What you face in the teeth of a gale? (6,4)
18. Change of heart for one mother (5)
19. It's a strain becoming a skilled craftsman (7)
21. Short rhyme upheld in Colet (7)
22. Yet it might be some quite pedestrian clause (5)

Down

1. Concerning a boy competent and sensible (10)
2. Is it one's duty to hug, perhaps? (5)
3. Some light or heavy timber (4)
4. Lack bite? (6)
5. A charming thing to wear! (8)
6. Understand that lies are wrong (7)
11. One will have words on referring to it (10)
13. For a climber in love? (8)
14. A bone from Munster (7)
16. Riches gained by breaking the law (6)
17. Dramatic confidence (5)
20. Changed rate of weight allowance (4)

Quick Clues:

Across

7. Drone (5)
8. Curative treatment (7)
9. Frequenter (7)
10. Kingdom (5)
12. Ownership (10)
15. Diligently (10)
18. Leaven (5)
19. Hold spellbound (7)
21. Surround (7)
22. Power (5)

Down

1. Deceitfulness (10)
2. Orb (5)
3. Worry (4)
4. Accent (6)
5. Retaliation (8)
6. Diabolical (7)
11. Handle (10)
13. A sacrifice (8)
14. Progress (7)
16. Rough (6)
17. Sediment (5)
20. Subdue (4)

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS:
CRYPTIC - Across: 1 Renegades; 8 Rio; 9 Leave it to me; 11 Titanic; 12 Lasso; 13 Morose; 15 Adopts; 17 Tithe; 18 Curries; 20 Oil and water; 22 Ann; 23 Destroyer. Down: 2 Ewe; 3 Green; 4 Detach; 5 Spoiled; 6 Greasepaint; 7 Tortoises; 10 Alterations; 11 Time to pay; 14 Shelled; 16 Scenes; 19 Rower; 21 Ere. QUICK - Across: 1 Consensus; 8 Ago; 9 Underground; 11 Sapient; 12 Erato; 13 Sphere; 15 Ledger; 17 Ashen; 18 Salvage; 20 Reading desk; 22 Egg; 23 Kiel Canal. Down: 2 Own; 3 Eerie; 4 Sprite; 5 Squeeze; 6 Bad language; 7 Concourse; 10 Depth charge; 11 Sustained; 14 Ransack; 16 Aspire; 19 Logic; 21 Spa.

Sudoku

Fill in the grid below so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS >

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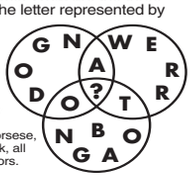
6	9	3	8	7	1	2	4	5
8	5	2	6	4	9	1	3	7
1	4	7	3	5	2	6	8	9

Circlegram

Replace the question mark with a letter so that the letters within each circle can be arranged to form words on a common theme. What are the three words, and the letter represented by the question mark?



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION: The letter represented by the question mark is C. Scorsese, Pollack, Kubrick, all U.S. film directors.

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There is also a utility area with plumbing for an automatic washing machine and access door to the side garage.

On the first floor are three bedrooms and a bathroom with white suite comprising panelled bath, electric shower, pedestal wash hand basin and WC.

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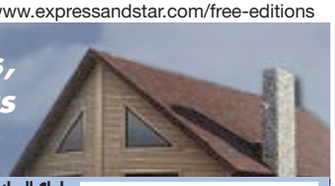

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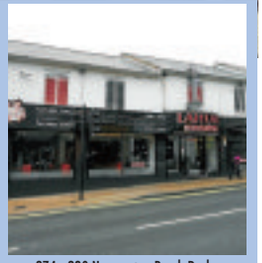

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125 KINGSWAY, OLDBURY

- Extended semi-detached property
- Centrally heated and double glazed
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- Family bathroom, Through lounge/dining room
- Kitchen/breakfast room
- Neatly laid out garden to the rear
- Off-street parking for two cars
- INTERNAL INSPECTION TO BE APPRECIATED

Offers based on £179,950

Viewing: Bearwood Office

REDUCED

BROADWAY, OLDBURY

- Freehold semi-detached property
- Two double bedrooms and bathroom
- Through lounge/dining room, Kitchen and utility
- Two garages, Gardens to front and rear
- Off-street parking
- Potential for extensions, subject to planning consent
- Centrally heated
- Virtually PVC double glazed throughout

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REDUCED

190 THIMBLEMILL ROAD, SMETHWICK

An immaculate, much improved and most pleasantly situated traditional freehold semi-detached residence enjoying a most popular residential location with the added benefit of an open outlook at the rear over Thimblemill Recreation & Entertainment Centre, offering gas centrally heated and double glazed accommodation to include two double bedrooms, refitted part tiled bathroom with individual shower, hall, attractive through lounge, superb conservatory and refitted kitchen, off-street parking for two cars and pleasant laid out garden to the rear, having comprehensive

Offers based on £142,950

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REDUCED

62 THIMBLEMILL ROAD, BEARWOOD

- Traditional freehold villa residence
- Gas centrally heated and double glazed
- 2 double bedrooms & spacious bathroom to first floor
- Dining room, lounge, fitted kitchen and downstairs W.C.
- Established gardens
- Ideal for first time purchasers
- Good facilities close at hand
- Easy access City Centre

Offers based on £113,950

Viewing: Bearwood Office

COOPERS LANE, SMETHWICK

A traditional style freehold end terraced residence offering gas centrally heated and PVC double glazed accommodation to include two double bedrooms, lounge, central hall, cellar, dining room, kitchen, fully tiled bathroom and garden to the rear, located within easy reach of High Street facilities and providing easy access to Birmingham city centre, being ideally suited for first time buyers.

Offers based on: £99,950

Viewing: Bearwood Office

50 LONDONDERRY LANE, SMETHWICK

- Traditional freehold detached residence
- Excellent corner location
- Centrally heated
- Double glazed virtually throughout
- Two double bedrooms and refitted bathroom
- Hall, 25ft through lounge & extended kitchen
- Established gardens and garage
- Off-street parking for five/six cars
- Room for extensions

OFFERS BASED ON £152,500

Viewing: Bearwood Office

85 HAMILTON ROAD, SMETHWICK

- Freehold corner semi-detached property
- Recently refurbished
- Centrally heated and double glazed
- Close to Warley Woods & Bearwood High Street
- Three bedrooms and bathroom
- Spacious lounge and fitted kitchen
- Utility and downstairs cloakroom
- Gardens to front and rear
- Off-street parking for two/three cars

Offers based on £124,950

Viewing: Bearwood Office

19 CROSS STREET, LANGLEY

- Traditional terraced private house
- Exceptionally convenient residential location
- Gas centrally heated and double glazed
- Much improved throughout
- Lounge, dining room and well fitted kitchen
- Refitted & well appointed bathroom with shower
- Two double bedrooms
- Pleasant laid out garden
- Ideal first time purchasers or investment
- Pleasant outlook to the rear over bowling green

Offers based on £87,500

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MILCOTE ROAD, BEARWOOD

- Freehold end terraced villa
- Close to Bearwood High Street, Warley Woods and Lightwoods Park
- Easy access to Birmingham city centre
- Three bedrooms
- First floor shower room and downstairs bathroom
- Lounge, dining room and kitchen
- INTERNAL INSPECTION TO BE APPRECIATED

Offers based on £159,950

Viewing: Bearwood Office

18 ADDENBROOKE ROAD, SMETHWICK

- Refurbished mid-town house
- Gas centrally heated
- Double glazed virtually throughout
- Three bedrooms and bathroom
- Hall, lounge, dining room and refitted kitchen
- Downstairs cloakroom
- Neatly laid out garden to rear
- INTERNAL INSPECTION TO BE APPRECIATED

Offers based on £124,950

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AUCTION

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Freehold centrally heated 3 bedroomed town house needing some improvement ..... £ circa.£85,000

80 WARLEY ROAD, OLDBURY, B68 9TB
Freehold centrally heated and double glazed semi-detached with 3 bedrooms ..... £ circa.£90,000

77 MILCOTE ROAD, BEARWOOD, B67 5BG
Freehold 2 bedroomed terraced needing modernisation ..... £100-£105,000

142 BIRCH ROAD, OLDBURY, B68 0ER
Freehold 3 bedroomed semi-detached in need of improvement ..... £ circa. £100,000

273 PORTLAND ROAD, EDGBASTON, B17 8LU
Freehold 3 bedroomed semi-detached requiring modernisation ..... £110-£120,000

74 LIGHTWOODS ROAD, BEARWOOD, B67 5BE
Freehold 2 bedroomed terrace needing modernisation £75-85,000

43 BLEAKHOUSE ROAD, OLDBURY, B689 DS
Freehold 3 bedroomed semi with garage and room for extension ..... £100-£110,000

56 WATTIS ROAD, BEARWOOD, B67 5BB
Freehold 2 bedroomed end terraced requiring improvement ..... £ circa. £75,000

30 KENILWORTH ROAD, OLDBURY, B68 0ND
Freehold 3 bedroomed semi-detached with central heating needing upgrading ..... £ circa. £100,000

955 WOLVERHAMPTON ROAD, OLDBURY, B69 4RP
Freehold 3 bedroomed centrally heated semi-detached with double garage ..... £88-£90,000

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NEW

20 Upper St, Mary's Road, Bearwood

- Well presented freehold mid-terraced villa
- Close proximity to Warley Woods and the main Bearwood Road
- Gas centrally heated & part double glazed
- Two double bedrooms
- Bathroom with shower
- Boarded loft space
- Lounge and dining room
- Neatly laid out garden to the rear
- INTERNAL INSPECTION TO BE APPRECIATED

Offers based on £141,995

Viewing: Bearwood Office

NEW

48 Capethorn Road, Smethwick

- Freehold end terraced property
- Centrally heated and double glazed
- Two double bedrooms and bathroom
- Two reception rooms and refitted kitchen
- IDEAL FOR FIRST TIME BUYERS

Offers based on: £99,500

Viewing: Bearwood Office

NEW

73 Edmonds Road, Oldbury

- Freehold corner semi-detached style end town house
- Gas centrally heated and double glazed
- Three bedrooms and bathroom
- Hall, through lounge/dining room, kitchen and conservatory
- Off-street parking for two cars
- INTERNAL INSPECTION TO BE APPRECIATED

Offers based on: £129,950

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NEW

118 Popular Avenue, Edgbaston

- Substantial freehold mid-terraced property
- Fully PVC double glazed and gas centrally heated
- Five bedrooms and Two bathrooms
- Impressive through hallway
- Two reception rooms & Kitchen/breakfast room
- Large lawned garden to the rear
- Off-street parking to the front

Offers based on: £229,950

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NEW

18 Weston Road, Bearwood

- Freehold mid-terraced property
- Close to Bearwood High Street, Warley Woods and Lightwoods Park
- Well heated with electric storage heating
- PVC double glazed throughout
- Three bedrooms
- Two reception rooms, kitchen and bathroom
- Neatly laid out garden
- IN NEED OF COSMETIC IMPROVEMENT

Offers based on: £115,000

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NEW

30 Beechwood Road, Smethwick

- Midway between Bearwood and Smethwick
- Gas centrally heated and virtually PVC double glazed throughout
- Two bedrooms
- Two reception rooms
- L shaped kitchen
- IDEALLY SUITED FOR FIRST TIME BUYERS
- Internal inspection to be appreciated

Offers based on £89,950

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NEW

TAT BANK ROAD, OLDBURY

Traditional terraced, 2 bedrooms, through lounge, gas central heating, gardens, close to Ol dbury town centre.

Offers based on £72,500

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FORGE WAY, OLDBURY

- Excellently presented modern semi detached
- Full internal inspection recommended
- fitted kitchen
- 3 bedrooms
- conservatory
- good sized gardens
- garage

Offers in excess of £155,000

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MARRIOTT ROAD, SMETHWICK

- Quiet Cul-de-Sac Location
- Modern Semi
- uPVC Double Glazing
- Two Bedrooms
- Conservatory
- Side Driveway
- Gardens Fore and Rear

Offers based on: £109,950

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VERNON ROAD, OLDBURY

- Excellently presented traditional terraced
- 2 reception rooms
- 3 bedrooms
- Ground floor bathroom
- Garden
- Internal inspection highly recommended

Offers based on £99,950

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GRAFTON ROAD, OLDBURY

- A traditional semi
- 2 reception rooms
- 3 bedrooms
- Fore and rear gardens
- Garage to rear
- Requiring general improvement

Offers based on £122,500

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DURHAM ROAD, ROWLEY REGIS

- Internal inspection recommended
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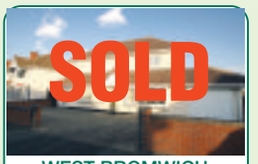

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- Family Bathroom
- Integral Garage
- Off Road Parking

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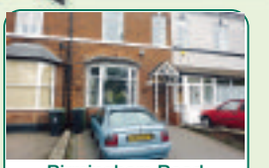

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- Detached House
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- 2 Bathrooms
- Conservatory
- Downstairs W/C
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- Off Road Parking

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TIPTON
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- 4 Bedrooms
- 2 Reception Rooms
- Conservatory
- Integral Garage
- Downstairs WC
- Ensuite Shower Room
- Private Driveway
- Well Presented

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Stella Grove
Great Barr
- Extended Three Bed Semi
- Through Lounge
- Extended Fitted Breakfast/Kitchen
- High Specification Family Bathroom
- Detached Garage
- Majority Double Glazing
- Gas Central Heating
- Large Enclosed Rear Gardens

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DUDLEY PORT
JOHNS LANE
- BRAND NEW
- Dormer Bungalow
- 3 bed
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- Lanscape garden

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Jayshaw Avenue
Great Barr
- Three Bedroom Semi-Detached
- Driveway with off road parking
- Garage
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Through Lounge
- Fitted Kitchen
- Family bathroom
- Side passage Extension

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WEST BROMWICH
STANWAY ROAD
- Detached House
- Three Bedrooms
- Double Glazing
- Gas Central Heating
- Garage
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Good Transport Links

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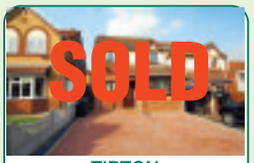

TIPTON
HELLIER AVENUE
- 3 Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner
- Converted Family Room
- Open Plan Kitchen
- Block Paved Driveway
- Family Bathroom
- Rear Garden
- Viewing Essential

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Lilac Avenue
Walsall
- Three Bed Semi Detached
- Three Reception Rooms
- Extended Feature Kitchen/Diner
- Family Bathroom
- Double Glazing
- Gas Central Heating
- Off Road Parking
- Front and Rear Gardens

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TIPTON
BARTLETT CLOSE
- 3 Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner
- Fitted Kitchen
- Conservatory
- Utility
- Downstairs WC
- Detached Garage
- Front & Rear Gardens

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HANDSWORTH
CALTHORPE ROAD
- 3 Bed Semi-Detached
- Entrance Porch
- Two Reception Rooms
- Kitchen
- Utility/Out Buildings
- Three Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom

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WEDNESBURY
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- 3 Bedrooms
- End Terraced
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- Kitchen/Diner
- Downstairs Bathroom
- Rear Terrace
- Well Decorated
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KINGS ROAD
- 3 Bed Semi-Detached
- Lounge
- Kitchen/Diner
- Three Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom
- Front & Rear Gardens

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WEDNESBURY
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- 3 Bedrooms
- 2 Reception Rooms
- Recently Extended
- Utility room
- Downstairs WC
- Family Bathroom
- Off Road Parking
- Rear Garden

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- 3 beds
- 2x reception rooms
- Conservatory
- Private parking
- DG & GCH

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- 4 Bedrooms
- Extended Semi Detached
- 3 Reception Rooms
- Fitted Kitchen
- Family Bathroom
- Paved Rear Garden
- Off Road Parking
- Viewing Essential

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WEDNESBURY
HYDES ROAD
- End Terraced
- 3 Bedrooms
- 2 Reception Rooms
- Extended Kitchen
- Family Bathroom
- Off Road Parking
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Viewing Essential

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WEDNESBURY
BRUNSWICK PARK
- 3 Bedroom
- Mid Terraced
- 2 Reception Rooms
- Downstairs Bathroom
- Rear Garden
- Views Across Park
- DG & GCH
- NO CHAIN

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Stuarts Road
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- Fitted Kitchen
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- Family Bathroom
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- Double glazing
- Off road parking
- GCH
- Rear garden

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GRIFFITHS ROAD
- 3 bed
- Front & rear gardens
- 2x reception rooms
- Double glazing
- GCH

84,950

WEDNESBURY
COBDEN STREET
- Mid Terraced
- 2 Bedrooms
- 2 Reception Rooms
- Extended Kitchen
- Utility room
- Upstairs Family Bathroom
- Off Road Parking

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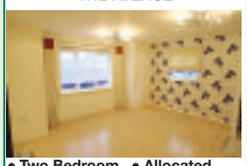

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- One Bedrooms
- House
- Fitted Wardrobes
- Gas Central Heating
- SORRY NO DHSS

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TUDOR COURT,

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- Private Entrance
- Lounge
- Ground Floor
- Private Garden
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- Kitchen
- Bathroom
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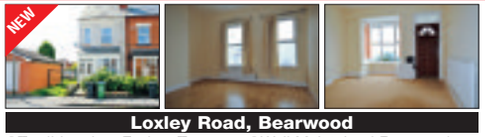

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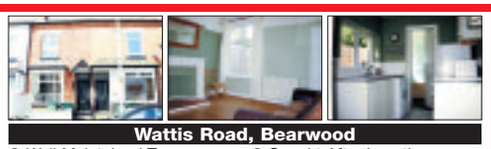
- Close To Broad Street
- Excellent Transport Links
- Housing Benefit Considered

£695 PCM

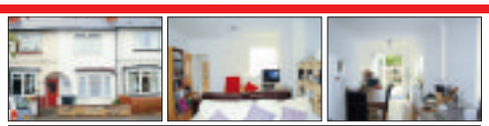


Wattis Road, Bearwood
- Well Maintained Terrace
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Sought After Location
- Close To All Amenities
- Close To All Transport Links

£550 PCM

Three Shires Oak Road, Bearwood
- Unfurnished Terrace Property
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Well Appointed Bathroom
- Sought After Location
- Close To All Amenities

£525 PCM



Merrivale Road, Bearwood
- Modern Terrace Property
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Excellent Kitchen
- Part Furnished
- Off Bearwood High St
- Must Be Viewed

£550 PCM

Dunsford Road, Bearwood
- Traditional Terraced Property
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Through Lounge
- Close to Amenities & Schools
- Unfurnished
- Must Be Viewed

£525 PCM

Bromford Gardens, Edgbaston
- Excellent 2nd Floor Flat
- 2 Bedrooms
- Part Furnished
- Allocated Parking
- Excellent Transport Links
- Sought After Area

£550 PCM

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NEW

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POUND ROAD

A traditional detached bungalow situated in an elevated position above the roadside offering well proportioned accommodation situated within a convenient location. Side porch into hallway, lounge with feature fireplace, dining kitchen, two bedrooms, bathroom with separate shower, central heating, double glazing, garage, front and rear gardens

Offers in the region of £179,950

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A fully modernised, refurbished and extended semi detached family home offering an excellent accommodation finished to a high standard. Storm porch entrance, reception hall W.C off, through lounge, dining kitchen, office/bedroom 5 and garage. Stairs to first floor landing, four bedrooms, bathroom, central heating, double glazing, off road parking to front on block paved driveway, rear garden

Offers in the region of £199,950

NEW

OLDBURY

TOWER ROAD

A deceptively spacious semi detached property benefiting from conservatory and side utility area offering good sized family accommodation. Porch entrance, hallway, two reception rooms, kitchen. Staircase to three bedrooms bathroom shower over bath, central heating and double glazing where specified, off road parking, rear garden

Offers in the region of £92,950

OLDBURY

TRAFALGAR ROAD

A traditional style semi-detached property requiring full modernisation and refurbishment. Porch entrance into reception hall, two reception rooms, kitchen. Stairs from hall to three bedrooms, bathroom, central heating and double glazing where specified, Rear access for parking, gardens.

Price : £95,950

OLDBURY

VICTORIA ROAD

A semi detached property situated in a corner position having potential for side extension, reception hall, lounge with feature fireplace, kitchen, shower room. Staircase to first floor landing off which lead three bedrooms, gas central heating, double glazing where specified, off road parking, front and rear gardens

Offers in the region of £94,950

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NEW

Reginald Road, Bearwood

- A Well Presented Mid Terrace
- Two Double Bedrooms
- A Superb Bathroom
- Delightful Kitchen
- Two Reception Rooms
- Pleasant Rear Garden

Offers in the rgion of £114,950

NEW

Broadmoor Avenue, Oldbury

- A Well Presented Semi Detached
- Three Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Good Size Rear Garden
- Off Road Parking
- Pleasant Views to the Front

Offers in the region of £134,950

NEW

Bowling Green Drive, Smethwick

- A Most Attractive Semi-Detached
- Three Bedrooms
- Superb Kitchen/Diner
- En Suite to Master Bedroom
- Beautifully Maintained Rear Garden
- Off Road Parking

Offers in the region of £199,950

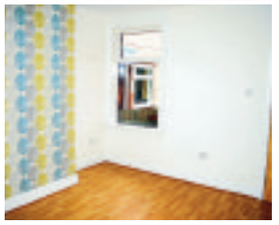
NEW

Court Oak Road, Harborne

- A Well Presented Ground Floor Flat
- Two Bedrooms
- Secure Off Road Parking
- En Suite to Master Bedroom
- Pleasant Views
- Desirable Location

Offers in the region of £175,000

NEW



Westbury Road, Edgbaston

- A Comprehensively Refurbished Terrace
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Newly Fitted Kitchen & Bathroom
- Newly Installed Boiler
- Low Maintenance Rear Garden
- No Upward Chain

Offers in the region of £122,000

NEW PRICE

Pritchard Close, Smethwick

- A Purpose Built Duplex Flat
- Three Bedrooms
- Allocated Off Road Parking
- Large Lounge / Diner
- No Upward Chain
- An Ideal Investment Opportunity!

Offers in the region of £62,500

Upper St Marys Road, Bearwood

- A Delightful Mid Terrace
- Three Double Bedrooms
- Spacious Through Lounge
- Pleasant Rear Garden

Offers in the region of £142,000

NEW PRICE

Eva Road, Oldbury

- A Semi Detached Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Requiring Modernisation
- Extensive Rear Garden
- Ideal Family Sized Accommodation
- Potential for Parking (Subject to permissions)

Offers in the region of £99,950

Lincoln Road, Smethwick

- A Charming Semi Detached
- Three Bedrooms
- Occupying a Corner Plot
- No Upward Chain

Offers in the region of £129,950

Warwick Road, Oldbury

- A Well Presented Semi Detached
- Three Bedrooms
- Modern Bathroom
- Pleasant Rear Garden

Offers in the region of £154,950

Beakes Road, Bearwood

- Traditional Terrace Property
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Modern Fitted Kitchen

Offers in the region of £109,950

Perry Hill Road, Oldbury

- Comprehensively Refurbished
- Five Bedroom Semi
- En Suite to Master Bedroom
- Exceptional Garden

Offers in the region of £290,000

Valentine Road, Oldbury

- An Attractive Three Bed Terrace
- Off Road Parking
- Dining Kitchen
- Pleasant Rear Garden

Offers in the region of £114,950

Selsey Road, Edgbaston

- A Beautifully Styled Terrace
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Stunning Kitchen

Offers in the region of £114,950

Rotton Park Road, Edgbaston

- A Most Attractive Detached Property
- Eight Bedrooms
- Two En Suite Shower Rooms
- Potential For Development

Offers in the region of £450,000

Beakes Road, Bearwood

NEW PRICE

- A Traditional End Terrace
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Spacious Bathroom
- Generously Sized Garden

Offers in the region of £104,950

Woodbourne Road, Smethwick

- A Most Attractive Semi Detached
- Three Bedrooms
- Useful Loft Space
- Ideal Family Home

Offers in the region of £207,500

Smith Close, Smethwick

- Three Bedroom End Terrace
- Well Presented
- Conservatory
- No Chain

Offers in the region of £134,950

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Toll End Road, Tipton — NEW

Middle Terrace offering superbly improved spacious accommodation, upvc double glazing and gas central heating. Viewing highly recommended whilst briefly comprising, lounge, cellar, sitting room, fitted kitchen, 3 bedrooms, shower room, enclosed decking area and attractive rear garden.
OFFERS AROUND: £102,000
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Mills Walk, Tipton — NEW

Middle Terrace offering upvc double glazing, gas central heating and no upward chain. Well maintained spacious family accommodation briefly comprises, reception hall, lounge, fitted kitchen / dining room, 3 bedrooms, modern bathroom with shower, separate toilet, secure parking and gardens.
OFFERS AROUND: £82,000
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Walker Street, Tipton — NEW

Middle Terrace offering upvc double glazing, gas central heating and superbly improved accommodation. Viewing strongly recommended whilst briefly comprising, reception hall, lounge, conservatory, fitted kitchen, 2 bedrooms, bathroom with shower, driveway to front and rear garden.
OFFERS AROUND: £99,950
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Wilday Close, Tipton — NEW

Modern Detached offering upvc double glazing, gas central heating and sought after de sac location. Large family accommodation briefly comprises, reception hall, guest cloakroom, lounge, dining room, conservatory,fitted breakfast kitchen, 3 bedrooms, en suite shower room, family bathroom, block paved driveway, garage and rear garden.
OFFERS AROUND: £173,500
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Powis Avenue, Tipton — NEW

Semi Detached offering upvc double glazing and gas central heating. Well maintained accommodation briefly comprises, porch, reception hall, lounge, fitted kitchen, 3 bedrooms, bathroom with shower, garage to rear and gardens.
OFFERS AROUND: £119,995
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Bilston Road, Tipton — NEW

Traditional Detached Bungalow offering upvc double glazing, gas central heating and no upward chain. L'Shape reception hall, lounge, conservatory, fitted kitchen (built in appliance), utility room, 2 bedrooms, bathroom with shower, block paved driveway and rear garden.
OFFERS AROUND: £135,000
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Arthur Road, Tipton — NEW

Semi Detached in need of repair and attention. Offering no upward chain and briefly comprising, reception hall, lounge, sitting room, kitchen, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, driveway and rear garden.
OFFERS AROUND: £69,950
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Harlyn Close, Bilston — NEW

Middle terrace offering double glazing and central heating. occupying a cul de sac location whilst briefly comprising, reception hall, lounge, fitted kitchen, 2 bedrooms, bathroom, 2 parking spaces and rear garden. 50% share could be purchased at offers £50,000
OFFERS AROUND: £99,950
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Wednesbury Oak Road, Tipton — NEW

Semi Detached situated on a most sought after location. Porch, reception hall, lounge, kitchen, sitting room, 3 bedrooms, shower room, side driveway plus secure parking, garage (old construction) fore and rear gardens.
OFFERS AROUND: £130,000
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Anchor Drive, Tipton — NEW

modern purpose built ground floor apartment offering, security entrance doors, upvc double glazing and electric heating. Reception hall, lounge, kitchen, 2 bedrooms, bathroom and allocated parking.
OFFERS AROUND: £69,950
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

William Barrows Way, Tipton

Modern 'Cadeleigh' design Detached built in' 2009. Offering upvc double glazing, gas central heating and large family accommodation which briefly comprises, reception hall, guest cloakroom, lounge, study room, dining room, fitted breakfast kitchen, utility room, 4 bedrooms, en suite shower room, family bathroom, garage and rear garden.
OFFERS AROUND: £239,950
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Patricia Drive, Tipton — NEW

Modern extended semi detached offering upvc double glazing, gas central heating, superbly presented immaculate accommodation, extension to side and no upward chain. Internal viewing strongly recommended whilst briefly comprising, porch, reception hall, lounge, conservatory, dining room, fitted kitchen, 2 bedrooms (fitted wardrobes), bathroom with shower, block paved 2 car driveway and attractive rear garden.
OFFERS AROUND: £114,000
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Astley Close, Tipton — NEW

Modern middle terrace offering upvc double glazing, gas central heating and spacious family accommodation. Reception hall, lounge, fitted breakfast kitchen, conservatory, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, driveway to front and rear garden.
OFFERS AROUND: £116,000
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Ivy Road, Tipton — NEW

Middle terrace offering upvc double glazing, gas central heating and superbly presented spacious family accommodation that must be viewed. Reception hall, lounge, fitted kitchen, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, driveway to front and attractive rear garden.
OFFERS AROUND: £79,995
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Wilmot Drive, Tipton — NEW

Modern middle terrace offering upvc double glazing, gas central heating and quiet cul de sac location. Porch, reception hall, lounge, fitted kitchen, conservatory, 2 bedrooms, bathroom, driveway to front and rear garden.
OFFERS AROUND: £105,000
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Napier Drive, Tipton

Modern Extended Link Detached having upvc double glazing, gas central heating & being extended to rear / side. Offering superbly presented internal accommodation which briefly comprises, porch, reception hall, lounge, fitted kitchen, conservatory, downstairs shower room, utility area, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, crete-print driveway, side garage & rear garden.
OFFERS AROUND: £149,950
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Keelinge Street, Tipton — NEW

Middle terrace offering upvc double glazing and gas central heating. Spacious well presented accommodation fitted out to a high standard whilst briefly comprises, porch, lounge, inner hallway, new fitted kitchen, 2 bedrooms(new sliding wardrobes) , new fitted bathroom plus shower cubicle, separate toilet, driveway to front and rear garden.
OFFERS AROUND: £87,750
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

St Martins Drive, Tipton

Modern Semi Detached offering upvc double glazing and gas central heating. Situated on a sought after development whilst briefly comprising, reception hall, guest cloakroom, through lounge / dining room, fitted kitchen, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, good size driveway and rear garden.
OFFERS AROUND: £129,995
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Brock Road, Tipton

Semi detached offering upvc double glazing, gas central heating and no upward chain. In need of repair / attention whilst the spacious family accommodation comprises, porch, reception hall, through lounge, sitting room, kitchen, outhouse, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, separate toilet, driveway and rear garden.
OFFERS AROUND: £84,995
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Doe Bank Road, Tipton

Traditional Semi detached offering upvc double glazing, gas central heating and improved internal accommodation. Porch, reception hall, lounge, fitted kitchen, conservatory, 3 bedrooms, bathroom with shower, driveway and rear garden.
OFFERS AROUND: £129,950
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Whitgreave Street, West Bromwich — NEW

Traditional extended middle terrace offering, upvc double glazing, gas central heating, extension to rear and loft conversion. reception hall, lounge, dining area, conservatory, kitchen, 3 bedrooms, family bathroom, loft room / bedroom 4 with en suite bathroom, driveway to front and large rear garden.
OFFERS AROUND: £119,950
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Cadgwith Gardens, Bilston

Modern semi detached having gas central heating & double glazing. Reception hall, guest cloakroom, lounge, fitted kitchen, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, side driveway, side garage and rear garden.
OFFERS AROUND: £120,000
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Great Meadow, Tipton — NEW

Modern middle terrace offering, upvc double glazing and gas central heating. Ideal first time purchase with good size accommodation which briefly comprises, reception hall, guest cloakroom, lounge, fitted kitchen, 2 bedrooms, en suite shower room, family bathroom, gardens and parking.
OFFERS AROUND: £102,500
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

High Street, Tipton

Semi Detached offering upvc double glazing, gas central heating and no upward chain. Reception hall, lounge, fitted kitchen, 2 bedrooms, shower room, driveway, garage and excellent size rear garden.
OFFERS AROUND: £109,000
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Bloomfield Road, Tipton — REDUCED

Detached property offering upvc double glazing, gas central heating and no upward chain. Porch, lounge, kitchen / dining room, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, driveway, garage, rear garden.
OFFERS AROUND: £89,950
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Locarno Road, Tipton — NEW

Extended middle terrace offering upvc double glazing, gas central heating and extension to rear. Spacious family accommodation briefly comprises, reception hall, through lounge / dining room, lobby, guest cloakroom, fitted kitchen, 3 bedrooms, bathroom plus shower cubicle, driveway to front and rear garden.
OFFERS AROUND: £94,950
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Constantine Way, Bilston

Modern Detached having double glazing and gas central heating. Reception hall, guest cloakroom, lounge, dining room, fitted kitchen, utility room, 4 bedrooms, en suite bathroom, family bathroom, driveway, garage, fore garden and good size rear garden.
OFFERS AROUND: £194,950
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Oak Close, Tipton — REDUCED

Purpose built ground floor flat offering upvc double glazing. Situated on a sought after location, whilst briefly comprising, open plan lounge / fitted kitchen, 1 double bedroom, bathroom, separate toilet, resident parking, garage and communal gardens.
OFFERS AROUND: £50,000
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Horseley Road, Tipton

Much improved middle terrace offering gas central heating, upvc double glazing and loft conversion. Spacious accommodation briefly comprises, reception hall, cellar, lounge, sitting room, fitted kitchen with breakfast area, downstairs bathroom, 3 bedrooms, en suite shower room, vehicle access to rear and enclosed yard.
OFFERS AROUND: £124,950
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Hellier Avenue, Tipton

Modern Semi Detached having upvc double glazing, gas central heating and offering no upward chain. Situated on a sought after development whilst briefly comprising, reception hall, guest cloakroom, lounge, dining room, fitted kitchen, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, side driveway, side garage, fore and rear gardens.
OFFERS AROUND: £139,950
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Callaghan Drive, Tividale

Modern Executive style Detached situated in a sought after development having local motorway networks within easy reach. Offering upvc double glazing, gas central heating & superbly presented spacious family accommodation which briefly comprises, reception hall, lounge, dining room, fitted breakfast kitchen, utility room, guest cloakroom, 4 bedrooms, en suite shower room, family bathroom, driveway, fore / rear gardens.
OFFERS AROUND: £209,950
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Mehdi Road, Oldbury — REDUCED

Modern purpose built first floor apartment offering upvc double glazing, electric heating and security entrance doors. Reception hall, lounge, kitchen, 2 bedrooms, bathroom, allocated parking.
OFFERS AROUND: £60,000
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Brickhouse Lane South, Tipton

38 brickhouse lane south, tipton, west midlands DY4 7HJ

We are acting in the sale of the above property and have received an offer of £40,000.
Any interested party must submit any higher offer in writing to the selling agent before an exchange of contracts takes place.
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OFFERS AROUND: £45,000
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Eagle Lane, Tipton

Modern First Floor apartment offering upvc double glazing, electric heating and well presented accommodation. Reception area, landing, lounge, fitted kitchen, 2 bedrooms, bathroom, parking and communal gardens.
OFFERS AROUND: £80,995
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Seymour Road, Tipton — NEW

Semi Detached having upvc double glazing, gas central heating, no upward and superbly improved internal accommodation. Viewing highly recommended whilst briefly comprising, porch, reception hall, lounge, fitted kitchen / dining room, guest cloakroom, 3 bedrooms, spacious bathroom, block paved fore court and rear garden.
OFFERS AROUND: £127,995
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Fernwood Croft, Tipton

Purpose built First Floor Flat having upvc double glazing, electric storage heating and in need of repair / attention. Spacious accommodation comprises, reception hall, landing, lounge, kitchen, 2 bedrooms, bathroom and fore garden.
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Harrington Croft, West Bromwich

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OFFERS AROUND: £90,000
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Hollyhedge Road, West Bromwich — NEW

★★★ 3 Large Bedrooms ★★★. A Spacious Mid Terraced House benefitting from Central Heating, Double Glazing, Intruder Alarm and No Upward Chain. Porch, Enclosed Vestibule, Lounge, Fitted Kitchen, Ground Floor Bathroom, Conservatory, 3 Good Size Bedrooms, Rear Garden and Block Paved Off Road Parking. Excellent Location for Local Transport Links, Schools and other Local Amenities.

OFFERS AROUND: £119,950
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Queslett Road, Birmingham — NEW

An Exceptional, 2 Bedroom, Modern Ground Floor Apartment for the Over 55's. Very Well Presented and Offering Central Heating and Double Glazing Throughout. Excellent location for transport links and local amenities. Having the benefit of a Large Communal Conservatory, Shared Gardens and Off Road Parking.

OFFERS AROUND: £124,950
Viewing: 0121 525 2111

Gill Street, West Bromwich — NEW

A Three Bedroom Semi Detached House benefitting from Central Heating, Double Glazing, Intruder Alarm and Cavity Wall Insulation. No Upward Chain. Porch, Enclosed Vestibule, Lounge, Kitchen, Ground Floor Bathroom/ WC with seperate Shower Cubicle, Master Bedroom with En Suite WC, 2 Further Bedrooms, Large Rear Garden with Shed having Power Supply, Driveway Off Road Parking.

OFFERS AROUND: £109,950
Viewing: 0121 525 2111

Edwin Phillips Drive, West Bromwich — NEW

Ideal for First Time Buyers or Downsizers. A Modern Semi Detached House benefitting from Central Heating, Double Glazing and Intruder Alarm. Hall with Guest Cloaks/ WC, Lounge, Kitchen/ Diner, Landing with Loft Ladder to Partly Boarded Loft with Electric Light, 2 Good Size Bedrooms (Fitted Wardrobes to Master Bedroom), Bathroom/ WC, Rear Garden and Off Road Parking.

OFFERS AROUND: £119,995
Viewing: 0121 525 2111

Hopkins Drive, West Bromwich — NEW

★★★Coming Soon★★★ A Delightful 3 Bedroom Detached Property within the Sought After Crescent of Hopkins Drive. Very Well Presented and benefitting from Central Heating and Double Glazing. Accommodation Comprises- Hall with Guest Cloaks/ WC, Open Plan Through Lounge/ Dining Room, Fitted Kitchen, 3 Bedrooms, Bathroom/ WC, Front & Rear Gardens, Driveway Off Road Parking and Garage which has been converted into, Laundry and Sitting Room/ Study.

OFFERS AROUND: £229,950
Viewing: 0121 525 2111

Ireland Green Road, West Bromwich

A Spacious Detached House located within a sought after residential area. Benefitting from Central Heating, Double Glazing and No Upward Chain. Accommodation Comprises- Entrance Hall, Lounge, Fitted Kitchen Diner, 3 Good Size Bedrooms, Shower Room/ WC, Low Maintainance Gardens to Front & Rear, Driveway Off Road Parking and Integral Garage.

OFFERS IN EXCESS: £150,000
Viewing: 0121 525 2111

Leacroft Grove, West Bromwich

An Attractive, centrally heated, double glazed, Semi Detached House. Storm Porch, Lounge, Recently refitted Kitchen/Diner, Conservatory, Covered Side Passageway, 3 Bedrooms, Bathroom/WC, Off road parking for small car and Garage for small car nearby. Viewing 0121 525 2111.

OFFERS AROUND: £116,950
Viewing: 0121 525 2111

Lyndon Grove, West Bromwich

A Rare Opportunity to Purchase This Delightful Traditional Semi Detached House situated in the Quiet Cul de sac of Lyndon Grove. Excellent for Transport Links and Sandwell Hospital. Benefitting from Central Heating, Majority Double Glazing and Intruder Alarmed. Accommodation Comprises- Porched Entrance Hall, Lounge, Refitted Kitchen/ Diner, Verandah with Guest Cloaks/ WC, 3 Good Size Bedrooms, Shower Room/ WC, Gardens to Front & Rear, Large Side Garage and Driveway Off Road Parking.

Fixed Asking Price: £140,000
Viewing: 0121 525 2111

Lily Street, West Bromwich

An Attractive Gound Floor Maisonette with excellent storage space. Central Heating, Double Glazing & Intruder Alarm. No Upward Chain. Accommodation Comprises- Porch, Lounge, Kitchen, 1 Bedroom & Box Room, Shower Room/ WC, Front & Rear Gardens.

OFFERS AROUND: £59,995
Viewing: 0121 525 2111

Millfields Close, West Bromwich — REDUCED

Ideal for First Time Buyers or Buy To Let Investors, this fully furnished First Floor Maisonette offers Central Heating, Double Glazing and No Upward Chain. Lounge, Kitchen with Balcony, Bathroom/ WC, Bedroom, Communal Gardens and Shared Parking Area.

OFFERS AROUND: £49,950
Viewing: 0121 525 2111

Pinfold Lane, Wolverhampton

An Extended Traditional Semi Detached House which has been impressively refurbished by the current vendors. Benefitting from Central Heating Double Glazing and Intruder Alarm. Accommodation Comprises- Porch, Entrance Hall, Lounge with Open Access to Dining Room, Extended L Shaped Fitted Kitchen, 3 Good Size Bedrooms, Bathroom/ WC, Driveway Off Road Parking for Several Cars, Large Rear Garden and Garage which has been converted into Utility and Store Room.

OFFERS IN EXCESS: £140,000
Viewing: 0121 525 2111

Rayford Drive, West Bromwich

A Corner Plot Detached House within the popular Bustleholme Mill Estate. Benefiting From Central Heating, Double Glazing and No Upward Chain. Accommodation Comprises- Porch, Open Plan Lounge, Dining Room, Conservatory, Refitted Kitchen, 3 Bedrooms, Bathroom/ WC, Gardens to Side & Rear, Driveway Off Road Parking and Garage.

OFFERS AROUND: £149,995
Viewing: 0121 525 2111

St Benedicts Close, West Bromwich — REDUCED

A Well Appointed Detached Bungalow at the Head of a Quiet Cul De Sac. Benefitting from Central Heating, Double Glazing and Intruder Alarm. Accommodation Comprises- Integral Porch, Hall, Lounge, Kitchen/ Diner, 2 Good Size Bedrooms, Refitted Bathroom/ WC, Gardens to Front & Rear, Driveway Off Road Parking, Garage.

OFFERS AROUND: £139,995
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Stanley Road, West Bromwich

An Extended Traditional Semi Detached House benefitting from Central Heating, Double Glazing and No Upward Chain. Accommodation Comprises- Integral Porch, Entrance Hall, Extended Through Lounge/ Dining Room (Originally 2 Rooms), Extended Kitchen, 3 Bedrooms, Bathroom/ WC, Driveway Off Road Parking, Rear Garden and Double Garage to Rear.

OFFERS AROUND: £159,950
Viewing: 0121 525 2111

Turner Street, West Bromwich

An Extended Mid Terraced House Offering Central Heating, Double Glazing and No Upward Chain. Accommodation Comprises- Entrance Hall, Lounge, Dining Room with Open Access to Kitchen, Groung Floor Bathroom/ WC, 2 Good Size Bedrooms, Gated Driveway to Front and Long Rear Garden.

In Excess : £80,000
Viewing: 0121 525 2111

Turton Road, West Bromwich

A Three Bedroom End Terraced House situated on a substantial plot which offers Extension Potential (Subject to Planning Permission). Positioned at the Head of a quiet cul de sac within easy reach of the Town Centre it also offers Central Heating and Double Glazing.

OFFERS AROUND: £129,995
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The Broadway, West Bromwich

An Extended Traditional Semi Detached House benefiting from a quiet cul de sac location and views of the park to rear. Accommodation Comprises- Integral Porch, Hall, Through Lounge/ Dining Room (originally 2 rooms), Extended Kitchen, Bathroom/ WC and Large Rear Garden.

OFFERS AROUND: £115,000
Viewing: 0121 525 2111

Carrington Road, Wednesbury — REDUCED

- A 3 Bedroom Mid Terrace Home
- No Upward Chain!
- Gas Central Heating & UPVc Windows (as specified)
- Reception Hall

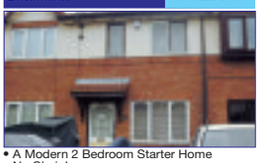
OFFERS OVER: £80,000
Viewing: 0121 505 3533

Elwell Street, Wednesbury — NEW

- A 1 Bedroom First Floor Flat
- No Upward Chain!
- Gas Central Heating
- Double Glazing (as specified)

OFFERS OVER: £50,000
Viewing: 0121 505 3533

Consort Drive, Darlaston — NEW



- A Modern 2 Bedroom Starter Home
- No Chain!
- Ideal First Time Purchase/Investment
- Lounge

OFFERS AROUND: £90,000
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Ridding Lane, Wednesbury

- A Truley Delightful 3 Bedroom Mid Terrace Home
- Retaining Many Original Features
- Gas Central Heating & Double Glazing (as specified)
- Lounge with Characterful Fireplace

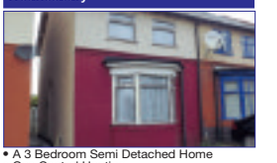
OFFERS AROUND: £110,000
Viewing: 0121 505 3533

Wrenbury Drive, Bilston — REDUCED

- A Modern 4 Bedroom Detached Home
- Gas Central Heating & Double Glazing
- Reception Hall & Guest WC
- Lounge with Feature Fireplace

OFFERS OVER: £170,000
Viewing: 0121 505 3533

Moxley Road, Wednesbury



- A 3 Bedroom Semi Detached Home
- Gas Central Heating
- Double Glazing (as specified.)
- Reception Hall

OFFERS OVER: £110,000
Viewing: 0121 505 3533

James Close, Wednesbury

- A Modern 3 Bedroom, 3 Storey End Terrace
- Gas Central Heating & Double Glazing
- No Upward Chain!
- Quiet Cul-de-Sac Location

OFFERS AROUND: £130,000
Viewing: 0121 505 3533

Darby Road, Wednesbury — REDUCED

- An extended 3 bedroom semi detached home
- Extensively Modernised
- Gas Centrally Heated & Double Glazed
- Reception hall

OFFERS AROUND: £125,000
Viewing: 0121 505 3533

Willingsworth Road, Wednesbury

- A Traditional 4 Bedroom Mid Terrace Home
- Double Glazing (as specified)
- Quiet Cul-de-Sac Location
- No Upward Chain!

OFFERS AROUND: £104,995
Viewing: 0121 505 3533

Elwell Street, Wednesbury

- A Double Fronted 3 Bedroom Detached Home
- Gas Central Heating & Double Glazing (as specified)
- Reception Hall & Guest WC
- Lounge

OFFERS AROUND: £149,995
Viewing: 0121 505 3533

Riverway, Wednesbury

- Extended 4 Bedroom Semi Detached Home
- Gas Central Heating & Double Glazing
- No Upward Chain!
- Corner Plot Overlooking Greenery

OFFERS AROUND: £169,995
Viewing: 0121 505 3533

Hollies Drive, Wednesbury

- An Edwardian 3 Bedroom But Detached Home
- Gas Central Heating & Original Sash Windows (as specified)
- Many Original Features
- Cul de Sac Location

OFFERS AROUND: £190,000
Viewing: 0121 505 3533

Knowles Street, Wednesbury

- An Executive 4 Bedroom Detached Home
- Gas Central Heating & Double Glazing (as specified)
- Corner Plot
- Reception Hall & Guest WC

OFFERS AROUND: £210,000
Viewing: 0121 505 3533

Brunswick Park Road, Wednesbury — NEW

- A Period 2 Bedroom End Terrace (with useable Loft Space)
- Gas Central Heating
- Double Glazing (as specified)
- Well Presented

OFFERS AROUND: £110,000
Viewing: 0121 505 3533

William Green Road, Wednesbury

Presenting a 2 bedroom semi detached home located in a quiet cul-de-sac location. The property is double glazed, centrally heated and would make a great first time buy! The accommodation briefly comprise a reception hall, through lounge/dining room, spacious kitchen, outer lobby area with utility facilities, 2 bedrooms, a 1st floor re-fitted luxury bathroom/wc, enclosed rear garden and off road parking.

OFFERS AROUND: £104,995
Viewing: 0121 505 3533

Wednesbury Mounts Road

SOLD IT! Subject to Contract

- An Exte[illegible] Semi Detached Home
- G[illegible] & Partial Double Glazing
- R[illegible] Hall
- Storm Porch & Reception Hall

OFFERS AROUND: £120,000
Viewing: 0121 505 3533

Manifold Way, Wednesbury

Presenting a modern and characterful 3 bedroom semi detached home. The property, which sits on a corner plot is a bit quirky and is centrally heated and double glazed. The property has accommodation to comprise a reception hall, guest WC, fitted kitchen, sizeable lounge with feature fireplace, 3 bedrooms, master with en-suite shower room, fitted bathroom, enclosed rear garden, off road parking and a garage.

OFFERS AROUND: £130,000
Viewing: 0121 505 3533

Peel Close, Darlaston — REDUCED

- A Modern 2 Bedroom Mid Terrace
- Gas Central Heating
- Quiet Cul-de-Sac Location
- Lounge with Feature Fireplace

OFFERS OVER: £85,000
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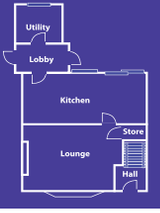

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NEW

TIPTON
BIRMINGHAM NEW ROAD
- Three bedroom traditional detached
- Lounge, dining room
- Conservatory, study
- Fitted kitchen
- Downstairs WC
- Off road parking
- Detached garage to rear with access for small car
- Large rear garden

£259,995

NEW

COSELEY
SOUTHALL CRESCENT
- Four bedroom detached dormer bungalow
- Lounge/dining room
- Fitted kitchen
- Four double bedrooms
- En suite and family bathroom
- Double glazing and gas fired central heating (where specified)
- Double detached garage and drive
- Extensive gardens to rear and side

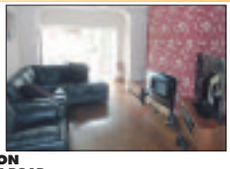
£239,995

NEW

TIPTON
THE SQUARE
- Three bedroom detached
- Lounge, dining room and kitchen
- Downstairs WC, first floor bathroom plus en suite
- Double glazing and gas fired central heating (where specified)
- Off road parking with garage to rear
- Rear garden

£154,995

NEW



TIPTON
HORSELEY ROAD
- Extended five bedroom semi detached
- Through lounge/dining room
- En suite to master bedroom
- Central heating and double glazing (where specified)
- Garage and off road parking
- Rear garden

£152,950

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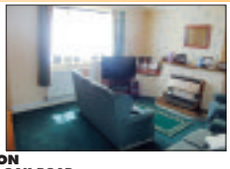
TIPTON
BLOOMFIELD ROAD
- Three bedroom mid terrace town house
- Lounge, study, kitchen and dining area
- En suite to master bedroom
- Family bathroom
- Double glazing and gas fired central heating (where specified)
- Garage and parking to rear
- Rear garden

£134,995

NEW



TIPTON
WEDNESBURY OAK ROAD
- Three bedroom mid terrace
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Double glazing and gas fired central heating (where specified)
- Off road parking
- Rear garden
- In need of some updating

£89,995

NEW

£89,995

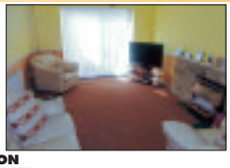
TIVIDALE
CECIL DRIVE
- Two bedroom first floor flat
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Bathroom
- Double glazing (where specified)
- Off road parking
- Garden

NEW

TIPTON
PARK LANE WEST
- Three bedroom semi detached
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Double glazing and gas fired central heating (where specified)
- Off road parking
- Rear garden

£119,995

NEW



TIPTON
BELL STREET
- Two bedroom modern mid terrace
- Lounge and fitted kitchen
- Bathroom with shower
- Double glazing and gas fired central heating (where specified)
- Off road parking
- Garage in separate block
- Front and rear gardens

£84,995

NEW

£86,995

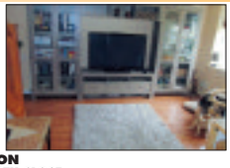
TIPTON
CHATWINS WHARF
- Two bedroom bungalow for over 55s
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Bathroom
- Double glazing and gas fired central heating (where specified)
- Communal parking
- Small rear garden

NEW

TIPTON
GILBERT STREET
- Two bedroom mid terrace
- Lounge
- Dining kitchen
- Downstairs WC
- Double glazing and gas fired central heating (where specified)
- Off road parking to rear
- Rear garden

£84,995

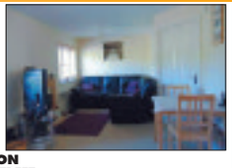
NEW



TIPTON
WORDSWORTH CLOSE
- Two bedroom end terrace
- Lounge
- Fitted kitchen
- Bathroom
- Double glazing (where specified)
- Off road parking
- Front garden

£74,995

NEW



TIPTON
SCOTT STREET
- One bedroom coach house
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- En Suite
- Double glazing and electric heating (where specified)
- Two allocated car parking spaces to rear

£47,500 for 50% share

NEW

TIPTON
DAVIS AVENUE
- Three bedroom semi detached
- Through lounge dining room
- Kitchen
- Bathroom
- Double glazing and gas fired central heating (where specified)
- Off road parking
- Rear garden
- CASH OFFERS ONLY

£79,995

REDUCED

TIVIDALE
CALLAGHAN DRIVE
- Modern four bedroom detached
- Lounge/dining room
- Fitted kitchen and utility room
- Conservatory
- Downstairs WC and en suite to master bedroom
- Double glazing and gas fired central heating (where specified)
- Garage and driveway
- Front and rear gardens

£199,995

REDUCED

TIPTON
ARTHUR ROAD
- Four bedroom extended mid terrace
- Lounge and dining room
- Extended kitchen and utility room
- Downstairs WC and first floor refitted bathroom
- Large shed/playroom wioth lighting
- Double glazing
- Off road parking and rear garden

£129,999

REDUCED

TIPTON
OLD PORT CLOSE
- Two bedroom semi detached
- Lounge and kitchen
- Double glazing and gas fired central heating (where specified)
- Garage
- Driveway
- Front and rear gardens

£85,000

BACK ON SALE

TIPTON
LOWER CHURCH LANE
- Three bedroom detached
- Lounge with dining area
- Fitted kitchen
- Central heating and double glazing (where spec)
- Driveway, garage
- Front and rear gardens

£135,995

BACK ON SALE

WEST BROMWICH
TANTANY LANE
- Three bedroom end terrace
- Two reception rooms
- Downstairs bathroom
- Central heating
- Double glazing (where specified)
- Rear garden

£89,995

BACK ON SALE

WEST BROMWICH
ANNE CLOSE
- One bedroom mid terrace bungalow
- Entrance hall
- Lounge
- Fitted kitchen
- Shower room
- Double glazing and gas fired central heating (where specified)
- Rear garden

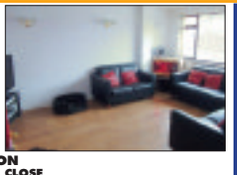
£79,995

TIPTON
MENIN ROAD
- Well presented four bedroom end terrace
- Lounge
- Fitted kitchen
- Upstairs family bathroom
- Downstairs WC
- Off road parking
- Rear garden

NOW £107,500

WEST BROMWICH
HEREFORD PLACE
- First floor one bedroom flat
- Lounge
- Double glazing and gas fired central heating (where specified)
- Garden

£52,000



TIPTON
BERTRAM CLOSE
- Extended five bedroom detached property
- Lounge and dining kitchen
- Extended sitting room
- Downstairs WC
- Double glazing and gas fired central heating (where specified)
- En suite to master bedroom
- Garage and driveway
- Double gated access for extra parking to rear

£210,000

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West Bromwich

Stour Street
Two Bedroom Semi Detached House. The property briefly comprises of Lounge, Kitchen, Two Bedrooms, Bathroom, Front & Rear Gardens.

£65,000

West Bromwich

Law Street
Two Bedroom Mid Terrace Property. Briefly comprising of Lounge, Dining Room, Fitted Kitchen, Three Bedrooms, Family Bathroom and Rear Garden.

£85,000

Wednesbury

Rooth Street
Immaculately Pesented Three Bedroom Semi Detached House The property boasts a Lounge, Dining Room, kitchen and Bathroom to the Ground Floor, three bedrooms to the first floor and to the exterior benefits from rear garden.

West Bromwich

Walsall Road
Well Presented Three Bedroom Semi Detached House Briefly Comprising of Lounge, Fitted Kitchen, Bathroom, Off Road Parking, Garage, Front and Rear Gardens.

West Bromwich

Allerton Lane
Well Presented Three Bedroom Semi Deatched Property. Briefly comprising of Lounge, Fitted Kicthen, Three Bedrooms, Family Bathrooms, Double Glazed, Central Heated, Front and Rear Gardens.

£87,500

West Bromwich

Boulton Road
Well Presented Two Bedroom End Terrace Property. Briefly comprising of Lounge, Fitted Kitchen, Two Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, Front & Rear Garden. Offering No Upward Chain. Viewing Highly Recommmended.

£100,000

West Bromwich

Esher Road
Three Bedroom Semi Detached Property. Briefly comprising of Lounge, Dining Room, Fitted Kitchen, Three Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, Garage, Front & Rear Gardens. Viewing Highly Recommended.

£110,000

West Bromwich

Pembroke Way
Semi Detached property which briefly comprises of Lounge with feature fireplace, Dining Room, Refitted Kitchen, 3 Bedrooms, Bathroom, front and rear gardens. Offering No upward chain viewing of this property is highly recommended.

OIEO £110,000

West Bromwich

Priory Close
Immaculately Presented Two Bedroom Bungalow. Briefly comprising of Lounge, Kitchen, Utility Room, En-Suite to Master Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, Garage, Front & Rear Gardens. Viewing Highly Recommended.

West Bromwich

Hopkins Drive
Two Bedroom Detached Bungalow in a desired area of West Bromwich. The property briefly comprises of Lounge, Kitchen, Utility, Two bedrooms, Garage with Off Road Parking, Central Heating & Double Glazed, Front & Rear Gardens. Viewings Highly Recommended.

West Bromwich

Harrington Croft
Well Presented Four Bedroom Semi Deatched Property. The property briefly comprises of Lounge, Cloakroom, Fitted Kitchen, Four Bedrooms, En-sute, Family Bathroom, Front and Rear Garden.

£205,000

West Bromwich

Turner Street
3/4 Bedroom End Terrace Property. Briefly comprising of Lounge, Dining Room, Fitted Kitchen, 3/4 Bedrooms, Upstairs w.c, Front & Rear Gardens with Off Road Parking.

£125,000

West Bromwich

Walsall Road
One Bedroom First Floor Flat. Briefly comprising of Lounge, Fitted Kitchen, Bedrooms, Bathroom.

£395 PCM

West Bromwich

Macaulay House
Ground Floor Two Bedroom Apartment. Briefly comprising of Lounge, Fitted Kitchen, Two Bedrooms and Family Bathroom. Available Immediately 6 months - Long Term.

£450 PCM

West Bromwich

Wilford Road
Three Bedroom Mid Terrace Property. Briefly comprising of Lounge, Kitchen, Three Bedrooms and Family Bathroom. Available Immediately.

£575 PCM

West Bromwich

Seagar Road
Three Bedroom Semi Detached Property To Let. Briefly Comprising of Through Lounge, Extended Fitted Kitchen, Three Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, Double Glazed, Central Heating, Driveway and Rear Garden. Available Immediately.

£595 PCM

West Bromwich

Thursfield Road
Three Bedrooms End Terrance Poperty. Briefly comprising of Lounge, Fitted Kitchen, Veranda, Downstairs Bathroom, Upstairs Shower Room, Rear Garden, Off Road Parking and Garage. Available Immediately. 6 Months - Long Term. Sorry no DSS

£595 PCM

West Bromwich

Bird End
Well Presented Five Bedroom Property. Briefly comprising of Lounge, Fiited Kitchen, Dining Room, Cloakroom, Conservatory, En-Suite to Master, Family Bathroom, Loft Room with En-suite and Garage.

£1000 PCM

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9 STARKIE DRIVE, OLDBURY

Modern detached bungalow with replacement double glazing and gas central heating throughout. Popular residential location. Comprising porch, vestibule, lounge, dining kitchen, two bedrooms, dressing room, bathroom and conservatory. Garage and secure parking for two/three vehicles. Established gardens. INTERNAL INSPECTION HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.

Offers around £155,000

DUDLEY ROAD EAST, OLDBURY

Modern detached family residence built within the last 7 years to a high specification. Gas central heating and double glazing throughout. Well maintained and presented. Providing reception hall, cloakroom, fitted kitchen, dining room, utility, lounge, three bedrooms, ensuite shower room, family bathroom. Two parking spaces and private rear garden. INTERNAL INSPECTION RECOMMENDED.

£150,000

NORMAN ROAD,SMETHWICK

-Traditional three bedroom semi-detached house
-Popular residential location & close to amenities
-Property benefits from gas central heating and partly double glazed.
-Porch & entrance hall
-Two reception rooms and extended fitted kitchen
-Two double and one single sized bedroom and fitted family bathroom with electric shower. Property has both front & rear low maintenance gardens,space for off road parking on drive and views from the frontage over public open space. VIEWING HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.

£129,950

Gowshall Drive, Oldbury

Three bedroom former Taylor Wimpey styled home. Briefly comprises of:- entrance hall, cloakroom, reception room, kitchen/dining room, three bedrooms, master bedroom with en-suite and fitted wardrobes, family bathroom, driveway, single garage, front and rear gardens, Property benefits from gas central heating and double glazing (where specified). Viewing highly recommended.

£174,950

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WALLACE ROAD, OLDBURY

Traditional semi-detached house with double glazing and gas central heating (where specified). Lounge, kitchen, downstairs toilet, utility/store cupboard, conservatory, three bedrooms, bathroom, large rear garden, forecourt parking. Ideal for first time buyers. Viewing highly recommended.

£94,950

54 DOULTON DRIVE,SMETHWICK

Pleasant, modern 2 bedroom mid-terrace property on the market at a reduced price, Comprised of 1 reception room, 2 bedrooms, bathroom, conservatory, kitchen, off road parking and rear garden area. VIEWING HIGHLY RECOMMENDED. OFFERS INVITED FOR A QUICK SALE

GUIDE PRICE £99,950

GRAVITY MEWS, OLDBURY

Delightful modern style first floor maisonette, pleasant residential development, in good order throughout, easy access to local amenities, offering gas central heating, double glazing, lounge, open plan fitted kitchen, double bedroom, shower room, off road parking..excellent first time purchase..

£68,000

Barncroft Road, Tividale

Two bed-roomed semi-detached home offering spacious accommodation briefly comprising: Through lounge/dining room, Kitchen, Utility room,bathroom, rear garden and off road parking. Ideal first time home or for investors. NO UPWARD CHAIN. Viewing highly recommended.

£95,000

PRINCES WAY, OLDBURY

A MODERN AND WELL PRESENTED PROPERTY THAT BENEFITS FROM:
-2 BEDROOMS
-DOUBLE GLAZING
-STORAGE HEATING
-BATHROOM
-CONVENIENT

LOCATION CLOSE TO AMENITIES
-OPEN PLAN LOUNGE/KITCHEN
-GARDEN AND OFF ROAD PARKING
-VIEWING HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

£550 PCM

Birmingham Street

One bedroom One reception room Bathroom Kitchen Double glazing Central heating. Viewing highly recommended.

£350 PCM

Wheatley Road, Oldbury

A three bed-roomed semi-detached home benefiting from two reception rooms, conservatory, extended kitchen, garage, off-road parking and rear garden. Viewing highly recommended.

£145,000

MIDDLETON COURT, OLDBURY

A ground floor maisonette benefitting from its own entrance comprisinsg of: 2 bedrooms, lounge, kitchen,bathroom, double glazing and part storage heating along with allocated parking.

£75,000

Ethel Street, Oldbury

Two bedroom end terraced house onto the market, conviniently located to all local amenities. Briefly comprises ot:- reception room, dining room, modernly fitted 'galley style' kitchen, downstairs re-fitted bathroom with shower, two double sized bedrooms to first floor, low maintainance gardens to rear, gas central heating and double glazing (both where specified). This ideal home for frist time buyer or investor.

£90,000

Grenville Place, West Bromwich

An end of terrace modern style property located in a convenient location close to transport links. Property comprises: Two bedrooms, fitted breakfast kitchen done to a high standard, lounge, conservatory, block paved parking to the rear and central heating. Viewing essential. NO UPWARD CHAIN.

£86,950

BLUESTONE WALK, ROWLEY REGIS

Deceptively spacious end town house with replacement double glazing and gas central heating. Has 2 bedrooms, secure parking and would be an ideal first time purchase. Internal inspection highly recommended.

£94,950

Broad Street, Oldbury

One bedroom New build flat , with one reception room, bathroom, kitchen and allocated parking.

£425 PCM

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Detached family home

A WELL-PRESENTED modern detached home in Bloxwich is for sale based on offers around £194,950.

The property is situated in a quiet cul-de-sac location in Lindrick Close, Turnberry, with the gas centrally heated and double glazed accommodation briefly comprising of enclosed porch, entrance hall/stairs, lounge, separate dining room, conservatory, kitchen, guest cloaks/WC, three bedrooms – the master with en suite – family bathroom, single car garage, paved driveway and landscaped gardens.

On the ground floor the lounge, 13ft 3in by 14ft 8in, has a feature chimney breast with contemporary fire surround with raised marble hearth and inset electric fire.

The dining room is 9ft 7in by 7ft 11in and has a patio door to the conservatory measuring 11ft 2in by 9ft 6in, and also with double doors to the rear garden.

Comprehensive

The kitchen, 11ft 10in by 6ft 11in, has a comprehensive range of base and wall units with roll top work surfaces and one-and-a-half bowl stainless steel sink and drainer with mixer tap and space for slot-in cooker and fridge/freezer.

There is also a guest cloak/WC with low level WC and wash hand basin.

On the first floor bedroom one has an en-suite with shower cubicle, WC and pedestal wash hand basin, and there are two further bedrooms and a bathroom with suite of panelled bath with shower screen WC and pedestal wash hand basin.

Outside to the front is a block paved driveway leading to the garage with a low maintenance garden, and to the rear a patio area, dwarf walling and lawns with well-stocked borders and space for shed.

For further information, or to arrange a viewing of the property, contact the estate agent, Tom Giles & Co, on 0121 552 6171.

This modern detached house is on the market for offers based on £194,950

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OLDBURY MCDONALD CLOSE

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Skoda saloon is all set to share advances with Jetta

SKODA has released further details of its fast-approaching Rapid compact saloon following a concept image some months ago.

Sized in between the Fabia and Octavia, the Rapid aims to capture sales in a corner of the market it currently doesn't serve. It's likely that it will end up sharing a lot of parts and technology with the Volkswagen Jetta. However, the Rapid is the first Skoda to showcase the next generation of the company's styling.

Despite being smaller in every direction, it looks quite similar in proportions to a current generation Octavia, but with a nod towards the sort of straight-line architecture that the first Volkswagen-era Octavia used at its 2001 release. Skoda claims the Rapid will have room for five plus their baggage, with five petrol and two diesel engines offered at launch.

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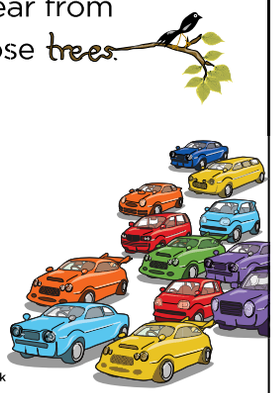

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Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2010

I hereby give notice that Sandwell Council has received the following applications under the planning acts which it is required to give public notice for the reason given at the beginning of each applications.

The proposed footpath would affect a public right of way to which Part III of The Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 applies.

DC/12/54775	Dr B Patel Oakham Surgery	Oakham Surgery 213 Regent Road & 5 Darbys Hill Road Oldbury B69 1RZ	Proposed change of use to a teaching block ancillary to Oakham Surgery with a single storey link extension, associated parking and landscaping.

Members of the public may inspect copies of these applications at Council House, Freeth Street, Oldbury, West Midlands, B69 3DE
(between 8.00a.m. and 5.30p.m. Monday to Thursday, and 8.00a.m. to 5p.m. Friday) or via the Council's Public Access website (www.sandwell.gov.uk).
Anyone who wishes to make representations about these applications can do so via the website, or should write to the Council at the above address within 21 days (and 21 days for Listed Building or Conservation Area consent) of the date of this advertisement quoting the application reference number.
Mr Nick Bubalo
Area Director - Regeneration and Economy

SANDWELL METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL
NOTICE OF CONSULTATION IN RELATION TO PROPOSED SPEED REDUCTION MEASURE IN HAMSTEAD ROAD, TANHOUSE ROAD, STANTON ROAD, HAMSTEAD

1. Notice is hereby given that the Borough Council of Sandwell proposes under Section 90A of the Highways Act 1980 to construct a speed table at the location specified in the Schedule to this Notice for the purpose of reducing the speed of vehicles.
2. A copy of the map showing the location of the proposed speed table may be inspected at the offices of the Area Director Streetscene, Sandwell Council House, Freeth Street, Oldbury, West Midlands, B69 3DE, during normal working hours.
3. Any person wishing to object to the proposal should write to Mr Ifran Choudhry, Service Manager - Highways, Sandwell Council House, Freeth Street, Oldbury, West Midlands, B69 3DE, or email highways@sandwell.gov.uk stating the grounds of their objection by no later than 25th July 2012.

SCHEDULE
Schedule of Speed Table

Road	Location	Length (m)	Width (m)	Height (mm)
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STEVE 61, seeks attractive younger lady for meets. **Tel No: 0906 500 3955 Box No: 389637**

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But Kenilworth's Martin Donald then came in to bat and proved to be the nemesis of the Old Hill bowlers.

He made 93 before losing his wicket with the score on 197. Donald fell to a caught and bowled by Nigel Davenport, his only wicket.

Matthius Treuberg finished with 3-29, Humais Butt (2-22) and Dmitri Ratnayake (2-50) providing back-up. Kenilworth closed on 209-8 off 55 overs.

In reply, Old Hill had three wickets down before putting 20 runs on the board. Dmitri Ratnayake (34) and Ian Walker (58) tried to move the score on, but Old Hill finished with 169-8 to give Kenilworth the winning draw.

Shrewsbury 159-8, Old Hill 94-7. Draw

After a rain-delayed start and reduced overs of 33, Old Hill seconds put Shrewsbury into bat.

Bilal Mohammed (3-40) and Jared Daniels (3-42) helped peg Shrewsbury to 159-8 off 33 overs.

Things went awry after tea with the loss of Joe Thorn (seven).

Old Hill seemed unable to keep a decent partnership together with Shezad Aslam (24) and Reece Shilvock (16) the top scorers. Old Hill were unable to reach the required target, reaching 94-7 off the 33 overs allotted, but still keeping Shrewsbury to the winning draw.

Old Hill 207-8, Hanley Castle & Upton 92. Old Hill won by 115 runs

With a fine start from the opening pair of Iffikar Ali (54) and Chris Round (43), Old Hill pushed on.

With Thomas Genders making 40 and the rest chipping in, they reached 207-8 off their 50 overs.

Castle's reply quickly ran into trouble as Omar Lewis took 4-29 and Nathan Davies 2-12.

Hanley were dismissed for 92 as Old Hill won.

Old Hill 191-7, Hanley Castle & Upton 163-7. Draw

Old Hill fourths rallied after losing an early wicket.

Good batting from Ryan Andrews (46) and Joel Foster (31) in the middle order and Rob Lloyd (28 not out) and Kieren Daniels (12 not out) later on helped them to post 191-7.

Hanley Castle held on for the draw.

Competitors Amy Dudley and Nathan Davis

Karate students at nationals

TWO students from a Smethwick karate club competed in national championships.

Nathan Davis and Amy Dudley, of the Shukokai Kobudokia Karate Association club, took part in the junior English national karate championships in Nottingham.

This was a first for Davis, who been training for only three months.

As a red belt he found himself in one of the largest categories in the competition.

The 9 to 10-year-old over-35kg section attracted more than 40 entries.

Davis won the first two of his three fights with ease but was narrowly defeated after extra time in his last bout, thus missing out on a place in the quarter-finals.

Karate

His certificate of participation made him happy and gives him inspiration for next year.

Amy Dudley had a little more success; in her third successive hampionships she took part in two team events and the individual girls 15 to17 years over-60kg category.

Dudley was third in last year's individuals and reached the quarter-finals this time only to bow out to the eventual winner.

But she found some good form and inspired the team to second places in the girls' sanbon and rotation team events.

Dudley continues to improve and is now training towards her last brown belt before hopefully moving forward to tackle black belt in 2013.

Sensei Karl Horsburgh said: "We have had some good results in competitions so far this year.

"The standard at the competitions is high and the students continue to amaze me with the results and the spirit, determination, enthusiasm and hard work that they put into their training to get them."

SKKA members now look forward to the senior championships in September. Dudley can compete again under senior rules and Horsburgh is also entered.

SKKA train at the Hurst Road Community Centre, Warley on Monday and Thursday nights from 7-9pm. All are welcome.

Thomas whips up Games fervour

ONE of Britain's top 800m runners whipped up Olympic fever when he visited pupils at a Halesowen school.

Joe Thomas – who recently discovered he will miss out on the London 2012 Games because of an injury – told youngsters at Olive Hill Primary School in Halesowen he was disappointed not to be taking part, but would be cheering on the team all the same.

He picked up a heel injury at the indoor world championships, and then ran into a shin problem which developed into a shin fracture.

Thomas had enjoyed a superb campaign indoors, setting a series of personal bests.

The 24-year-old, who is based in Cardiff, visited the Springfield Road school as part of the Team Super Schools initiative, which encourages children to get involved in sport and raises money for young athletes.

Headteacher Rachel Cutting said: "The children were inspired to meet a real athlete – and especially one as successful as Joe."

Brummies miss out in Monmore derby thriller

Wolves 49 Birmingham 41

BRUMMIES team boss Phil Morris nearly prompted an audacious victory for his side in this Elite League derby clash.

Morris made three big, related calls as the meeting approached its climax. He put star reserve Josh Auty into heat 12 with previously unbeaten Birmingham captain Danny King and then pulled under-performing No.1 Bjarne Pedersen out of the next race to allow Tomasz Piszcz to get his compulsory third ride out of the way.

Speedway

That in turn cleared the path for Auty to go in the penultimate race with Ben Barker.

The Selco Brummies led by two with four heats remaining and maximum wins in heats 12 and 14 would have guaranteed them a victory.

But sport is unpredictable and Morris' brilliant manoeuvres blew up in his face.

But the hit and miss Robert Miskowiak won the 12th for Wolves – and but for some cute work by Auty, working home reserve Jacob Thorssell wide enough to allow King to slip into third, it could have been even worse for the visitors.

Sebastian Ulamek split the Tai Woffinden/Freddie Lindgren pairing in heat 13. But heat 14 confounded everyone as Auty and the lively Barker conceded an unexpected 5-1 to Wolves' Thorssell and Ricky Wells.

That left the Brummies requiring a 5-1 to draw.

Ulamek made a sensational start but Woffinden, in his first match back after injury, fought his way into second. King could have sat tight in third to guarantee a league point but, for a racer of his calibre, that was never an option. He tried the pass which would have forced a draw and came off.

Now, rather than chasing the draw, Birmingham were trying to preserve a point in the rerun.

Ulamek needed to split the home pair and was again electric from the gate.

But Woffinden and Lindgren passed him on either side and the game was up.

It was a fine meeting – watched by a good contingent of travelling fans – and one that only took place after Herculean efforts by the track staff after a series of deluges.

Birmingham are due to host Coventry at Perry Barr tonight (7.30pm).

Wolves: Tai Woffinden 13, Freddie Lindgren 10+2, Ty Proctor 8+1, Robert Miskowiak 6, Ricky Wells 6, Jacob Thorssell 5+1, Matej Kus 1+1.

Birmingham: Josh Auty 10+2, Danny King 10+1, Sebastian Ulamek 7, Ben Barker 5+1, Martin Smolinski 5+1, Bjarne Pedersen 4+1, Tomasz Piszcz 0.

Brummies' Bjarne Pedersen, left, and Martin Smolinski chase Freddie Lindgren and Ty Proctor. *Picture: John Hipkiss*

Kelly takes county golf contest title

BEARWOOD schoolgirl Ciara Kelly is a runaway county golf winner.

The Year 10 student at Perryfields High School, Oldbury won the Worcestershire and Herefordshire county under-18 golf championship.

Kelly triumphed by 10 shots at Gaudet Luce Golf Club after shooting rounds of 73 and 74.

That left her just three over par for the 36-hole competition.

The Hagley Golf Club member finished well clear of Lucy Walton (The Worcestershire) in second.

Kelly is enjoying a successful season.

She was runner-up in the Worcestershire and Herefordshire county ladies' championship earlier this year.

She has also represented Worcestershire & Herefordshire county ladies in five competitions.

She won three out of four matches, helping her team to tie for second place in the competition.

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Bulldogs hang on after lead wiped out

Birmingham Bulldogs 36
Gloucestershire Warriors 36

BIRMINGHAM Bulldogs and their visitors from Gloucester played out a pulsating rugby league draw at the Aston Old Edwardians ground.

Once again Brum saw a healthy-looking lead wiped out but defended well enough to share the points.

Birmingham took an early lead when centre Matt Dudley crossed for a try but Warriors took the lead for the only time in the match when second-rower Joe Toft drove over and stand-off Mike Hagan goaled.

Glen Farnham restored Bulldogs' lead, then two penalties for high tackles set up a position from which second-rower Simon Edwards charged over, converted by Lewis Beatty.

The visitors replied when Sam Goatley crossed for a try.

Slope

Back came Brum, full-back Sam Edgar finding a gap in the visitors' defence for a try that Beatty goaled.

The scoring for the half was completed when Gloucester second-rower Dylan Padriguez went over from short range, Goatley goaling to cut the gap to four points.

Playing up the slope and into the wind in the second half, Bulldogs needed a score and got one, through Farnham.

Edgar then posted his second try, converted by left-winger Danny Bancroft.

Gloucester responded with a well-worked score from full back Alan Wheeler. Farnham strode over for this hat-trick try to restore Birmingham's 16-point advantage.

A burst of scoring levelled matters. Tries came from prop Mike Davies (goaled by Hagan), a second for Goatley and one for Brandon Walker, Hagan adding the extras to lock the sides together.

On Saturday, July 7, Bulldogs are away to Coventry Bears.

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Craig honoured to be part of Team GB

by Martin Swain

ALBION player Craig Dawson says he is 'honoured' to be included in Team GB for the Olympics – and is convinced it can help his club ambitions.

The England Under-21 defender, who has hit four goals in seven appearances for his country, will join up with Stuart Pearce's men on Saturday.

The squad will then begin preparing for their opening fixture against Senegal at Old Trafford on July 26.

It will take the 22-year-old central defender with the happy knack for goals out of Albion's pre-season preparations and deny him a chance to impress new boss Steve Clarke.

But Dawson is undeterred by what would seem to be a setback in his efforts to dislodge last term's first-team regulars Jonas Olsson and Gareth McAuley.

"The pair of them had a good season, but we'll all be pushing each other and trying to improve each other as well," he said.

"Hopefully, I can have a good few games at the Olympics, along with a good pre-season and push everyone for a place, which everyone will be doing. It's going to be a great experience for me and hopefully one that I'll be able to use at the club.

"I didn't really expect the call and it's obviously an honour to be named in the squad.

"It hasn't sunk in and I don't think it will until I meet up with the lads and the manager.

"Monday was a great day for me and my family.

"The call came in and I was training at a local gym when my phone started going crazy and I realised what was going on.

"I've got a few more days at Albion with the fitness coach and then we meet up on Saturday and we'll find out the plan for the next few weeks.

"Fingers crossed we'll do well and I'm sure we'll do everything as well as we can."

He added: "Stuart Pearce is a great manager and we're doing well with the Under-21s.

"I've been able to get a few starts and play a few games under him.

"It's always nice to pop up with a goal, but more importantly it's clean sheets and wins that we need."

STEVE PRAISES MIX OF BACKROOM BOYS

STEVE CLARKE has hailed the "great mix" of his backroom staff at Albion after appointing Kevin Keen as joint-assistant head coach alongside Keith Downing.

Keen, the 45-year-old former West Ham United and Liverpool first-team coach, worked with head coach Clarke under manager Gianfranco Zola at Upton Park for two seasons. They were also together for a further year at Anfield during Kenny Dalglish's recent reign.

by Martin Swain

The pair are now reunited for a second time, with Downing retaining the role he successfully filled under former boss Roy Hodgson following Michael Appleton's departure to Portsmouth and Dean Kiely staying as goalkeeper coach.

Kevin Keen – new job

Clarke said: "Kevin is a fantastic coach, enthusiastic and hard-working. He understands me, knows what makes me tick, and most importantly is a good person to have around the place.

"I think I've now got a great mixture in my coaching staff with Keith and Dean, who know the club and players inside out, and Kevin, who knows me and can help make that connection to all the staff easier."

Keen made more than 600 appearances and scored more than 50 goals for Wycombe Wanderers, West Ham, Wolves, Stoke City and Macclesfield Town.

Albion sporting and technical director Dan Ashworth added: "I'm delighted to welcome Kevin to the club.

"Steve was eager to work with Keith Downing and Dean Kiely when he arrived and also targeted Kevin as the person he would most like to bring in. We're delighted we've been able to keep the nucleus of last season's very successful backroom staff together.

"And since Terry Burton left as first-team coach in March we always had it in mind we would appoint another member of coaching staff at the end of the season – and we're pleased to have captured someone of Kevin's calibre."

Keen's playing career began as a 16-year-old West Ham apprentice where he went on to make more than 279 appearances before switching to Wolves in 1993, where he briefly played alongside Downing.

He joined Stoke in October 1994 before his final move to The Silkmen in September 2000.

Runner James cuts a Dash to ring up win

BIRCHFIELD HARRIER James Whitehouse chimed in with victory in the Florette Lichfield Dash.

He clocked 58.2 seconds – starting and finishing just within the cathedral's midday chimes on Saturday.

Roger Black MBE presented Whitehouse with the new winner's trophy, commissioned by Lichfield cutlery firm Arthur Price Ltd.

Ashley Wickett of Cannock & Stafford AC was second in 60.02sec, followed by Andis Grindialis from Latvia with Ellie Howat, also of Birchfield Harriers, fourth.

The Olympic torch passed through the city on the same day, prompting a record Cathedral Close crowd for the Dash.

Kevin Wilson, of event organiser KP Events, said it had been an "extra special" day.

"Having the Torch pass through beforehand and with Roger Black MBE here throughout the Dash, there was a real buzz in the city. The crowd was fantastic and we saw many new people support the event," he said.

Black said: "The event was a fantastic example of how running can be hugely competitive and compelling for spectators at any level."

Winner James Whitehouse, right, receives his trophy from Roger Black MBE

Opening stand of 120 lifts Dartmouth

WB Dartmouth 223-9, Knowle & Dorridge 121-8. Draw

WEST Bromwich Dartmouth took on Knowle and Dorridge last weekend and earned a creditable winning draw.

Staffordshire openers James Campbell (62) and Kadeer Ali (55) shared an opening parnership of 120 in the Birmingham League Premier Division match.

Rawlston Tappin, with 37, and Nav Poonia, with 30, carried on the good work for Dartmouth.

But then Warwickshire's Steffan Piolet took five wickets as Dartmouth subsided to 223-9.

In reply, Imran Khan took four quick wickets as Knowle & Dorridge struggled to 70-8.

However, the visitors' ninth-wicket pair held out for the final hour, reaching 121-8 to claim a draw.

This Saturday Dartmouth visit Wolverhampton in the Premier Division of the league.

West Bromwich Dartmouth 229-7, Water Orton 139-7. Draw

Shaun Roberts was the star for Dartmouth seconds as they claimed a winning draw against Water Orton.

Roberts scored 137 out of Dartmouth's 229-7.

Water Orton could manage only 139-7 in reply with three wickets for Hafeez Khan and two for Marlon Wijendra.

West Bromwich Dartmouth 177-7, Himley 63-5. Draw

Dartmouth thirds' match was abandoned, but the fourths managed a winning draw against Himley.

Hassan Farooque top-scored with 42 in Dartmouth's total of 177-7.

Billy Lacey took 4-18 as Himley struggled to 63-5 before rain brought an early end to the game.

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